Eastern Michigan University Multicultural Greek Council Constitution

Definitions:

*Probationary Status:

A chapter will be placed on probationary status for not binding to the agreed upon terms written in the constitution that may result in being on probation for any given amount of time. The probation lasts a full semester given the date the chapter was placed on probation. In this period or probationary time frame, the chapter has to make improvements by the end of the given semester in order to get off of probation.

*Half-a-vote:

Half- a-vote is given to associate chapters who are not full in the MGC council. The associate chapters will be given full voting privileges when they are officially full members.

*Dishandment:

The voluntary or involuntary removal of an organization until further notice or actions have taken place to reinstate organization.

*Associate Members:

New chapters or colonies that are acquiring membership to join the council.

*Academic Action Plan:

Progress check on the current semester and a three page statement expressing why the chapter isn't achieving the academic goals of the council and what measures will be taken to meet the goals. Any chapter that is placed on probationary status for academics must complete a total of eight study hours each week. The hours must be documented and sent to the VP of Records.

ARTICLE I - Name

- **Section A.** The name of this organization shall be the Multicultural Greek Council at Eastern Michigan University hereinafter referred to as the "MGC"
- **Section B.** The founding members of the MGC are as follows:
 - 1. ΣΛΓ Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Incorporated.
 - 2. ZΣX Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority Incorporated
 - 3. ΣΛΒ Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Incorporated

ARTICLE II - Goals and Purpose

- 1. To promote multicultural awareness.
- 2. Serve as a support system by encouraging unity and better understanding for those involved in the Multicultural Greek Council.
- 3. Partake in cultural, social, educational, political, and philanthropic activities.
- 4. To support upcoming Multicultural Greeks by attending events and working collaboratively.
- 5. Promote working relations between all existing Greek councils at EMU and the EMU community.
- 6. Promote scholarly excellence, community service, educational, and social programs.
- 7. Abide by the regulations and policies of this constitution as well as the regulations and policies of the University.

ARTICLE III - Non Discriminatory

Membership and all privileges, including voting and officer positions, must be extended to all students must be extended to all students without regard to age, ethnicity, gender, disability, color, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status. However, religious student organizations will not be denied registration solely because they limit membership or leadership positions to students who share the same religious beliefs. Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments Act of 1972 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex or handicap in most Educational programs and activities within the University.

ARTICLE IV - Powers

- **Section A.** The Multicultural Greek Council shall have the power to administer and enforce the constitution and its bylaws.
- **Section B.** Multicultural Greek Council shall have the power to create committees and define their purpose as deemed necessary.
- **Section C.** The Constitution shall be the supreme governing agency of the MGC at Eastern Michigan University and shall remain paramount to any conflicting bylaws.
- **Section D.** Multicultural Greek Council shall have the power to collect dues.

ARTICLE V - Council Structure

Section A. The MGC shall appoint advisors from the Department of Campus Life/university faculty. The Council shall consist of an Executive Board, Committee Chairs, and two delegates to represent each organization.

ARTICLE VI - Membership

- Section A The founding Membership Chapters in the Multicultural Greek Council include Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority Inc. and Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. and Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Incorporated.
- **Section B** Membership of the Multicultural Greek Council will consist of culturally based Greek letter organizations that are recognized by the Multicultural Greek Council, the Department of Campus Life, and the National board for each organization.
- Section C Membership of the Multicultural Greek Council will consist of culturally based Greek letter organizations that are not recognized by another Greek governing council which is present on Eastern Michigan University's campus (such as the Interfraternity Council (IFC), Collegiate Panhellenic Council (CPC), and the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)).
- **Section D** Every chapter of the Multicultural Greek Council needs support from the NHQ which recognizes the group.
- **Section E** The following are chapter requirements to maintain membership within the Multicultural Greek Council

1. Community Service Event:

- a. Each academic year the Multicultural Greek Council will organize a service event in either the fall or winter and each member from each organization within the council shall have at least 2 hours of community service from this event. The semester the service event will be planned and held will be left to the President's discretion.
- b. Each chapter must attend at least one philanthropy or community service event per semester hosted by another organization within the Multicultural Greek Council with at least two-thirds attendance.

2. Cultural Educational Event:

- a. Every organization must participate in one MGC sponsored cultural educational event with at least two-thirds attendance.
- b. Each organization must sponsor or co-sponsor a cultural educational program.
- c. Each organization must attend at least one cultural program hosted by another organization with at least two-thirds attendance.

3. Academics

a. Each organization must have a cumulative group GPA of at least 2.5.

4. Social Interaction

- a. Organizations will be encouraged to socialize with each other and there will be one social event for the entire council per academic year.
- **Section F** Each chapter must submit, in writing, their national and/or local policies on hazing and general codes of conduct to the Executive Board within two weeks of the academic year.
- **Section G** To maintain active membership in the Multicultural Greek Council each recognized organization must satisfy all payments of dues and fines and abide by the Multicultural Greek Council constitution and bylaws. Dues will be set at the beginning of the academic year.
- **Section H** To maintain active membership in the council each chapter must maintain at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average each semester. If a chapter does not meet this requirement they will automatically be placed on a probationary status included but not limited to and be required to submit an *"Academic Action Plan" which must be submitted to the council president and the Greek advisor. If

a chapter does not meet this requirement for two consecutive semesters they will be officially suspended for the following academic year, which entails no active participation in any activities sponsored by the council.

- Section I Regular Members have the right to be involved in all Multicultural Greek Council activities, the right to vote on MGC matters, right to initiate amendments and bylaws to the constitution, and the right to hold office on the Multicultural Greek Council Executive Board.
- **Section J** Associate members can become General Chapter Members upon the successful completion of one semester as *Associate Members, and an extensive review and a voting process by the MGC Executive Board.[CN1]

ARTICLE VII - Full Membership Provisions

- **Section A**. Complete at least one semester during the regular academic year of Associate status.
- **Section B.** During this period, the Associate member organizations may not miss more than one General Body meeting.
- **Section C.** When presenting to the council to become a Full Member of the MGC, the fraternity/sorority also has to show and present to the council the things that they have done for the period of associate membership.
- **Section D.** A chapter must submit, in writing, their national and/or local policies on hazing and general codes of conduct to the Executive Board.
- **Section E.** Associate members cannot propose amendments to the MGC Constitution.
 - 1. Upon successful completion of the requirements, completion of any other requirements that the appropriate university office requires, the General Body shall vote to admit the organization in question to Established membership status. A group must be approved by two-thirds majority vote of the Established group membership of the MGC at Eastern Michigan University.
 - 2. Should the interest group fail to comply with the policies stated in this section, they will not be allowed to apply for Associate Membership until the following semester.
- **Section F.** The MGC at Eastern Michigan University does not permit any action taken or situation created intentionally, whether on or off university premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule. The MGC's Hazing Policy can be found in Article XII Section A.

Section G. *Disbandment Procedures

- 1. Procedures may only begin if the inactive membership requests disbandment, fails two appointments with the MGC executive board, or does not reply to a written notice from the MGC within the mandatory time period.
- 2. The executive board of the MGC and its Greek advisors will notify the general body about the removal of the organization from the MGC at the proceeding delegate meeting.
- 3. The President of the MGC and its Greek advisors will notify the national board of the respective organization about its removal from the university.
- 4. If the disbanded organization were to be interested in reactivating membership they must follow all procedures that follow.

ARTICLE VIII – Officers

- **Section A** The officers of the MGC shall be President, Vice President Internal, Vice President External, Vice President of Finance, Secretary.
- **Section B** To be eligible to run for the Executive Board of the Multicultural Greek Council every Executive Board member must have a 2.5 GPA out of the most recent posted grades. Subject to change due to extenuating circumstances.
- **Section C** Only Full Members may hold positions within the Executive Board of the Multicultural Greek Council. Associate chapters are not eligible to hold office but will work closely with the Executive Board. Subject to change due to extenuating circumstances.
- **Section D** Officers will serve a term of One Academic Year. The new Executive Board of the Multicultural Greek Council and the old Executive Board will work together until the end of term for the old Executive board. The last meeting of every semester must be held by the new Executive Board.
- **Section E** In the event an officer fails to perform his or her duties the Executive Board has the right to impeach the officer according to (Penalties section). Following the impeachment it is the duty of the Executive Board to elect a new officer within the next E-Board meeting.
- **Section F** Multicultural Greek Council Executive Board Duties and Responsibilities are as follows:

1. It shall be the duty of the President to:

- a. Preside over all meetings and to enforce the Constitution of the MGC in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
- b. Offer consideration of all motions consistent with Robert's Rules of Order.
- c. Declare results of Council voting.
- d. Call special/emergency meetings.
- e. Appoint all committee chairpersons not otherwise provided for in the Constitution of the MGC with approval of the Executive Board.
- f. Represent the MGC at civic and social functions, or when the council is called upon by the member organizations for representation.
- g. Serve as the official representative of the MGC to the appropriate office of Campus Life.
- h. Co-sign with the Treasurer for all withdrawals and any other transactions regarding the MGC's bank account.
- i. Request the removal of any person from any council meeting with due cause with the approval of the Board.
 - i. Submit a written report upon completion of term of office to be filed in the MGC's files and with the MGC Advisor
- j. Establish that a quorum is present at General Body meetings.
- k. Supervise the election process.
- 1. Review, and propose changes when necessary, the MGC Judicial Procedure and the MGC Social Policy.
- m. Submit a written report upon completion of term of office to be filed in the MGC's files and with the MGC Advisor.
- n. Create the Agenda for each MGC meeting sent to E-Board members 24 hours prior to the E-Board meeting.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice President of Internal Affairs to:

- a. Represent and preside over all regular and special meetings and assume the duties of the President if the President is absent.
- b. In the event that the President resigns or is impeached, the Internal Vice President shall assume the role of President until the Executive Board can hold special elections.
- c. Ensure compliance with all MGC policies and procedures.
- d. Oversee appointed committees and chairs.
- e. Provide and make readily available to the MGC organizations all policy and procedures as well as provide training, education procedures to new member organizations.
- f. Serve as an interpreter and be responsible in handling grievances or complaints by member organizations of any procedural dispute.
- g. Annually review the MGC Constitution and By-Laws with the council.
- h. Maintain a complete and updated Google Drive which will include relevant information of all MGC organizations; updated grades, and contact information for the Executive board and General Body; Judicial policy and procedures; Eastern Michigan University's code of Conduct; and any documentation or correspondence produced as a result of judicial procedures.
 - i. Any Resources an Organization may need.
 - ii. Organizational Social & Community Service forms must be submitted in person or online to the IVP, the General Body meeting following their event otherwise the penalty system will be in place.
- i. The IVP will ensure there is not a conflict of interest between the organizations. Events should be planned ahead of time so the confusion can be at a minimum.
- j. If an organization plans not to use a date in the future that they hold, they must contact the IVP 14 days in advance or will fall subject to the penalty system.
- k. Serve as the chair of all Judicial Committees if the incident is determined by the committee to be a group matter. In cases where his or her own chapter is involved, the MGC's Advisor will appoint a temporary replacement, who may be a MGC Executive officer.

- 1. Review, and propose changes when necessary, the MGC Judicial Procedure and the MGC Social Policy.
- m. Serve as liaison to all police agencies in regards to judicial procedures.

3. It shall be the duty of the Vice President of External Affairs to:

- a. Serve as the Public Relations spokesperson to the MGC and be responsible to disseminate favorable publicity about the MGC and its member Fraternities and Sororities.
- b. Oversee MGC-sponsored service projects, activities and events open to other Greeks and the University.
- c. Ensure and enforce compliance of Intake and Hazing policies.
- d. Work with all Greek Councils and the Eastern Michigan University Administration in planning major Greek events for the year and any joint recruitment efforts.
- e. Maintain a complete and updated Google Drive, which will include programming resources, reports of previous programming, and contact information for future programming; news media contacts and relevant press releases; Risk Management policy and procedure.
- f. Write and release press release council activities.
- g. Document the activities of the Multicultural Greek Council.
 - i. Upload to the MGC Google Drive for the council, including pictures, important documents, etc.
 - ii. Work with the Public Relations Committee Chair to write and distribute press releases for the council's activities.
- h. Submit a written report upon completion of term of office to be filed in the MGC's files and with the MGC Advisor.

4. It shall be the duty of the Vice President of Finance to:

- a. Keep an accurate account of all monies received and paid by the MGC.
- b. Provide receipts for all monetary transactions on behalf of the MGC.

- c. Deposit all funds received into the council's bank account.
- d. Prepare a budget for each semester by the third General Body meeting of the current semester.
- e. Present a financial report to the General Body at each regular General Body meeting.
- f. Collect dues and accounts receivable.
- g. Be responsible for the Council's fundraising and solicitation efforts.
- h. Submit a written report upon completion of term of office to be filed in the MGC's files and with the MGC Advisor.
- i. Co-sign with the President for all withdrawals and any other transactions regarding the MGC's bank account.
- j. Will be responsible for organizing at least two fundraiser activities per semester.

5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to:

- a. Maintain accurate minutes of all proceedings at General Body meetings, emergency meetings, and Executive Board meetings.
- b. Present the minutes of the previous meeting to the General Body for approval prior to the start of the current meeting.
- c. Reserve all meeting rooms. In case of a global pandemic (e.i. Covid) create the zoom meetings.
- d. Notify chapter delegates and executive officers of upcoming meeting times and places.
- e. Organize and maintain a filing system to include all records and information of the MGC.
- f. Maintain a record in Google Drive, a phone list of all member organizations including their chapter advisors, chapter presidents, voting representatives and alternatives, and the judicial board representatives. Phone lists should contain current phone numbers, and email addresses.

- g. Assist the appropriate office in updating chapter membership rolls and officer database rosters at the beginning of every semester.
- h. Handle all correspondence (e.g., thank you notes) with the university and surrounding communities.
- i. Submit a written report upon completion of term of office to be filed in the MGC's files and with the MGC Advisor.
- Collect all Officer reports and compile them into one MGC annual report.
- k. Responsible for being a part of the planning committees for MGC events.
- 1. Responsible for keeping records of community service done by each chapter.
- m. Responsible for notifying the Executive Board if any of the Members do not meet the community service requirements set by the Multicultural Greek Council.

ARTICLE IX – Elections

- **Section A** Elections will be held in December of each year.
- **Section B** Each chapter delegate in good standing with the Multicultural Greek Council has a vote during elections.
- **Section C** The elections will be held two weeks after the nominations have been submitted to the Executive Board of the Multicultural Greek Council.
- **Section D** In the event of a tie, the Executive Board members not running for the position will cast secret ballots that will be tallied by the Greek advisor.
- Section E Votes are done by secret ballot and shall be tabulated once all of the voting is done with. If a Regular Member cannot be present during elections they have the option to vote by proxy. All proxy votes will be collected the day before elections and will not be accepted after that time; this must be in writing. Subject to change due to extenuating circumstances.
- **Section F** Nominations for candidates are due 1 week prior to elections. Regular Members running for office shall have a presentation the week of elections explaining to the General Body why they want to run for office.
- **Section G** No Greek Letter organization may be appointed to the president's chair or any other executive board position for more than one full school year unless there are

no other candidates running for that position.

Section H There shall be equal and fair voting amongst members of the MGC.

Section I Impeachment Procedures

- 1. Any member of the MGC shall be able to initiate impeachment procedures for any officer of the MGC on the following grounds:
- 2. Negligence of duty.
- 3. Mismanagement or misuse of MGC funds.
- 4. Failure to maintain the minimum required credit hours or 2.5 cumulative GPA during the course of office.
- 5. Inappropriate conduct and/or behavior.
- 6. The impeachment procedures shall be as follows:
 - a. The alleged violations must be presented in writing to the Vice President of Internal Affairs. The allegations shall be presented to the General Body at the next meeting.
 - b. Following the presentation of the allegations, the General Body may vote to send the matter before the Executive Committee. A simple majority vote is required.
 - c. If the matter is sent before the Judicial Committee, a hearing must take place within two weeks (except in the case of the offense occurring right before or during a time when the university is not in session). The accused, all chapter Presidents, and the Executive Committee members will be notified in writing of the alleged charges, the accused, and the date and time of the hearing.
 - d. The Executive Committee will convene and formally hear the accusations and the rebuttal. The accused shall have the opportunity to defend the issue.
- 7. The decision of the Executive Committee can include the following:
 - a. Removal from office (2/3 vote required).
 - b. Fines (amount to be determined by the Peer Judicial Review Board).
 - 8. Appropriate sanctions.

9. Appeals may be made in writing to the MGC advisor.

Section J Vacancies

- 1. Should the office of the President, Internal Vice President, External Vice President, Vice President of Administration, Treasurer, Secretary, and/or Historian become vacant for any reason or is not filled at election, the procedure for filling the office or offices shall be as follows:
 - a. The following business day where a vacancy exists, the Vice President of Administration shall:
 - i. Announce the vacancy to the Council.
 - ii. Ask for nominations. Nominations must be submitted prior to the following General Body meeting.
 - b. An election shall occur at the next MGC meeting following the announcement of the vacancy, except in the case where the announcement falls on the last Council meeting of the semester and/or year. In this case, the election will be held at the first meeting of the next semester.
 - c. Because of the nature of this election, the official voting delegate is required to attend and the vote of substitutes will not be accepted.
 - d. All other regular election procedures shall be upheld.
- 2. Should vacancies develop during the summer, the office is appointed temporarily by the MGC Executive Board.

ARTICLE X – Dues

- **Section A** Each chapter of the Multicultural Greek Council shall pay semester dues of \$15, per person, to the council. Dues must be paid by the set deadline. The Deadline will be set, by the Vice President of Finance, at the end of the end of each semester for the following academic semester.
- **Section B** If a chapter fails to pay their dues they will be fined \$15 every two weeks. If they continue to miss their payments they will be fined an additional \$15 per week. The fine becomes the chapter's responsibilities.
 - 1. If a chapter opts to have each individual member pay their dues to the council Vice President of Finance, then the fine will become that individual's or those individuals'

- responsibility.
- 2. The fines will accumulate for a month until the full amount of dues are paid.
- **Section C** Organizations that fail to pay their complete dues, will have no voting rights for the rest of that semester. A Regular Member organization will be demoted to an Associate Member organization. Failure of an Associate Member organization to pay dues within 60 days will result in de-recognition of that organization.
- **Section D** If dues are subjected to change they will be reviewed and voted upon on the last meeting day of the school year for the returning semester.

ARTICLE XI – General Body

- **Section A** General Body is made up of active Multicultural Greek Council members and associate members.
- **Section B** All active members of the Multicultural Greek Council are expected to act in accordance and guidelines of the Multicultural Greek Council Constitution and EMU policies.
- **Section C** The General Body shall be provided an agenda for each meeting by the Multicultural Greek Council Executive Board.
- **Section D** General Body meetings shall be bi-weekly in an academic building. In the case of a globe pandemic (e.i. Covid) MGC meetings are to be held online via Zoom. In order for regular business to be conducted, it must meet the following criteria:
 - 1. The MGC President and Secretary or their designated replacement must be on hand to officially run and record the meeting.
 - 2. Two-thirds of the General Chapter Member organizations shall determine all motions.
 - 3. One-half of General Chapter Member organizations must be present to vote.
- **Section E** The president may call special meetings of the Multicultural Greek Council 48 hours in advance.
- **Section F** All E-Board and delegate members are required to submit a request for absence at least three days prior to meeting, and only under emergency circumstances will non three day notices be allowed (up to discretion of President/Secretary). Emergency Circumstances are:
 - 1. Illness/family emergency/ unforeseen circumstances. Any other excuse deemed acceptable by the Executive Board.
 - a. If a chapter fails to be represented at a meeting, the chapter will be fined \$20.00

- 2. E-Board members are not allowed to have any more than **TWO** absences per semester, unless it falls under emergency circumstances.
 - a. Any E-Board member who misses more than **TWO** meetings is subject to impeachment, unless in an emergency circumstance.

b.

- i. Upon missing of meetings, E-Board members are still required to fill out the agenda and any position updates (unless emergency circumstance)
- ii. Any E-Board member removed will not be allowed to run for **ONE** academic school year.
- 3. Delegates are not allowed to have any more than **TWO** absences per semester, unless it falls under emergency circumstances.
 - a. Any delegate who misses more than **TWO** meetings per semester and does not arrange for other members to take place upon absence will be subject to removal and replacement, and will not be allowed to hold position again for one academic school year.

b.

- A delegate is only allowed to send a replacement for **TWO** meetings throughout the academic semester or will be held to mentioned consequences above
- ii. All organizations must have at least one member present from each organization
- **Section G** Any additions to the agenda shall be in 24 hours before the meetings.
- **Section H** Members are encouraged to propose by-laws to the constitution. These bylaws must be presented to the Executive Board of the Multicultural Greek Council. Then the board will review along with the advisor. The bylaws must be voted by all members and must be passed by 2/3 of the voting general body.
- **Section I** If an organization is not represented at any meeting during a given semester, judicial action may result. A \$20 fine will be charged to the organization for not being present at council meetings.
- **Section J** Being late to a General Body meeting shall count as 1/2 of an absence. A chapter shall be considered tardy if their delegate or representatives arrive after the meeting is called to order. Two tardies will result in one absence.

Section K All E-Board members and delegates members are prohibited from using any profanity and/or swear words during council and will be subject to a \$1 fine per word stated.

ARTICLE XII - Rules and Regulations

Section A All EMU members and officers must be in good academic and judicial standing with the institution. Membership is open to all EMU students regarding race, religion, color, national origin, gender, age, sexual orientation, or disability, unless the student organizations' membership restriction is shown to be specifically allowed by law.*

No EMU members nor officers will engage in hazing defined as activities which inflicts or intends to cause physical or mental harm or anxieties; which may demean, degrade, or disgrace any person, regardless of location, intent or consent of participants.

ARTICLE XIII - Amendments

- **Section A** This Constitution may be amended by a three-fourth vote of the voting delegates of the MGC at Eastern Michigan University at two separate meetings (first meeting proposed and second meeting voted).
- **Section B** Any amendments made to the MGC Constitution must be reviewed by the General Body. Proposed amendments must be given to the General Body in writing at the preceding meeting.
- **Section C** Amendments can only be initiated by organizations holding Established membership in the MGC.

ARTICLE XIV - Events

Section A Scheduling Policy

- 1. The MGC shall keep an official calendar of events highlighting all MGC Full Member Organization events.
- 2. There are two types of events, and the deadline for turning in these events will depend on the type of event that is being set up.
- 3. The first type of event is an academic or social event, including but not limited to parties, mixers, brotherhood and sisterhood events, panel discussions, and special

- seminars or speakers. The deadline to inform the Internal Vice President of these events is two weeks prior to the event.
- 4. The second type of event is a philanthropic or community service event, which includes, but is not limited to, fundraisers, collections, and any community service event. The deadline to inform the Internal Vice President of these events is five days prior to the event.

Section B Event Planning

- 1. No Established or Associate member organization shall be allowed to have an event in the same time bracket of another Established member organization or an MGC sponsored event without the expressed consent of the host organization unless the event falls during the recruitment period.
- 2. All flyers for events sponsored or co-sponsored by the MGC must be approved by the Vice President of External Affairs prior to approval from the Programs and Organizations Office.
- 3. Any Established or Associate Member Organization violating the above policy will be subject to judicial action.

ARTICLE XV- Expansion

Section A Purpose

The purpose of the Multicultural Greek Council expansion policy at Eastern Michigan University is:

- 1. To open the Multicultural Greek Council at Eastern Michigan University for expansion to a national, or local cultural/multicultural Fraternity or Sorority. That is in good standings with their nationals when they have made interest toward a successful council expansion effort.
- 2. To provide specific guidance and support to invite Fraternities or Sororities.
- 3. To ensure that all council expansion policies are followed during an expansion effort.

Section B Expansion

1. Interest Groups

a. For any organization that falls under the MGC that has not been previously recognized or currently recognized as an active chapter in MGC at EMU. The full application process from interest group to active membership must be aligned with the colonization process and timeline of the national organization standards.

Interest groups after three consecutive academic years without reaching provisional colony membership status, the interest group must restart the interest group process.

- b. Formation of interest group requirements
 - i. A minimum of three members in the interest group must be enrolled as Undergraduate students at Eastern Michigan University.
 - ii. Must be recognized as a student organization under Campus Life.
 - iii. All members must maintain academic standards set forth by the Greek Life office and have completed at least one semester at Eastern Michigan University and be in good academic standing.
 - iv. The organization must be culturally/multicultural based.
 - v. Must follow all policies required by the office of Greek Life and Campus Life. As well be in good standing with the Student Code of Conduct.
 - vi. Hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
 - vii. Abide by the MGC constitution
- c. Interest groups can not:
 - i. Attend MGC council meetings as active, voting members.
 - ii. Run for MGC Executive Board
 - iii. Use the MGC name on any sort of publicity

2. Re-activation

- a. An inactive chapter wanting to re-activate its status shall contact the Executive Board stating its purpose.
- b. The Inactive Chapter must come to a General Council meeting to give an oral and written presentation explaining its reasons for wanting to return to MGC.
- A two-thirds vote will be required to obtain an Associate Chapter status. The chapter will remain an Associate Chapter for 5 consecutive, scheduled meetings.
- d. If an MGC chapter has been inactive for 4 semesters or less, they must begin to pursue membership in MGC through the Associate Period.
- e. How to become an associate chapter/colony
 - On the second consecutive General Council meeting the Interest Chapter attends, the delegates from each Membership Chapter will vote on whether the interest chapter shall be allowed to become an Associate Chapter of the Multicultural Greek Council.
 - ii. A 3/4 majority vote for Associate Chapter status must be met in order to gain Associate Member status.
 - iii. The group will remain an Associate Chapter for 5 consecutive, scheduled meetings.

- iv. The group is granted the same rights and privileges as Active Chapters/colonies, with the exception of holding executive board positions.
- v. The group is subject to the same attendance policies as the Active Chapters/colonies, with the exception of the probationary period.
- f. If an MGC chapter has been inactive for more than 4 semesters, they must re-apply to become an Interest Chapter/Colony.
 - i. For information on how to become an associate chapter refer to Article XV- Section B part 1.

Section C Expansion Process

- 1. Submit a letter of interest to the president or advisor of the Multicultural Greek Council.
- 2. Complete an application
- 3. To be eligible for charitable exemption, you must own and use the property for charitable purposes. An organization requesting an exemption must show that the relevant property is utilized for charity or beneficent purposes only, and that it is not leased or used for profit in any other way. When the law states that property must be used entirely for benevolent or beneficent purposes, it means that these are the primary purposes for which the property is employed.
- 4. Conduct a presentation for the MGC Executive Board (including delegates) and the MGC advisor on the prospective fraternity or sorority that they would like to bring to EMU. The presentation should include:
 - a. information about leadership, scholarship, diversity, community service, philanthropy, and reasons they want to join MGC.
- 5. After the presentation the MGC Executive Board and Delegates will cast a vote for acceptance of the interest group or associate chapter.
 - a. If a majority of the council votes to accept the presenters as an interest group then they will have 4 consecutive semesters (not including summer) to be recognized lettered members of their organization.
 - i. For information on what it means to be an associate chapter please refer to Article VII.
 - b. If the majority of the council votes to not accept the presenters. An evaluation will be provided with the reasons for the council's decision as well as recommendations on how to improve the overall presentation within one week of the presentation. Another presentation to MGC can be done the following academic semester for a reevaluation.

Fines Sheet

Curse Word	
Absence	