

CONSTITUTION

Article 1: Name, Purpose, and non-discrimination policy

Name: *ISKCON Yoga Circle*

Purpose:

What you eat is what you become! We associate to explore a part of the widely practiced and most vibrant culture of Bhakti-yoga (called Krishna-consciousness in the West). Yoga means to connect. A healthy lifestyle, based on the four Regulative Principles of Freedom, viz. vegetarianism, sobriety, continence, and truthfulness help in making this connection better and easier. Our activities include the demonstration of simple yet delicious vegetarian and vegan recipes that is sanctified; learning from authorized spiritual scriptures, videos/audio material, seminars and presentations, theater, guest speakers, excursions and trips to Vedic (pertaining to sacred texts) colleges, and community festivals. Last but not the least, we would like to offer healthy and lively association to welcome newcomers.

Non-Discrimination policy: Our organization will not discriminate against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Article 2: Qualifications and categories of membership

Membership: Members are selected based on voting by currently enrolled OSU students. Any non-OSU members are non-voting associate.

Article 3: Organization leadership

President

- ✓ 2 years tenure
- ✓ Selected through voting
- ✓ Duties involve managing the student organization pages
- ✓ Getting permissions to organize meetings or events
- ✓ Coordinating the meeting and/or events

Secondary Leader

- ✓ 1-year tenure
- ✓ Selected through voting
- ✓ Helping the president managing the student org pages
- ✓ Helping in getting permissions and coordinating meetings and events

Treasurer

- ✓ 1-year tenure
- ✓ Selected through voting
- ✓ Applying for operating and programming funds

- ✓ Budgeting the finances for the student organization
- ✓ Dealing with the bank activities

Article 6: Method of selecting and removing officers and members

Officers of the organization will be selected by voting every year. The performance of all the officers in the past year will be considered before voting them again. The officers must meet certain standards like regular attendance, enthusing participation, and innovative lead in order to maintain their status. The members of the organization have the right to remove officers from their position in case they fail to fulfill their duties as deemed appropriate.

The organization will provide free membership to all its members. A general member can become a member by attending any one of the meetings set and subscribing to the email list of ISKCON Yoga Circle. If a member conducts himself/herself in such a manner deemed detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization or is in violation of the OSU Student Code of Conduct, he/she can be removed through a majority vote of the other voting membership or unanimous vote of the officers, with the consultation of the advisor.

Article 7: Advisor responsibilities

Advisor Duties

- ✓ Approve funding and events organized by ISKCON Yoga Circle
- ✓ Attend training and share information with the rest of the members

Article 8: Meetings of the organization

ISKCON Yoga Circle will at least meet once a week during a regular quarter for the whole academic year except summer.

Article 9: Method of amending constitution

Constitution will be amended only by the members of the club by voting standards and will be regularly communicated to the members in the general meetings. For any amendment that takes place, a notice should be given as soon as possible and should be in writing.

Article 10: Method of dissolution of organization

If the organization dissolves, all the organization debts and expenses will be equally divided among all the exiting members.

BY LAWS

Article 1 – Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in Roberts rule of order shall govern the organization in all the cases that is applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws of the organization.

Article 2 – Membership

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President, treasurer, and secondary leader can become leaders if they are capable of fulfilling the duties mentioned in the constitution for their position.

Article 3 – Election

Elections will be held once a year for the whole year. All the members who are regularly coming to the meetings for a year will be elected for nominations. A list of nominations will be passed out and voting through email will help to decide who wins the election. If anyone falls from the position, for only that position the next most voted member would be elected.

Article 6 – Advisor Duties

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Article 7 – Meeting Requirements

4 voting members are required to vote to pass any decision placed before the organization.

Article 8 – Method of amending By-Laws

By-laws will be amended only by the members of the club by voting standards and will be regularly communicated to the members in the general meetings. For any amendment that takes place, a notice should be given as soon as possible and should be in writing.