

OSU BCF Constitution

Article 1 - Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization.

Section 1: Name:

The name of the organization shall be Bethel Campus Fellowship Ministry, Inc. and shall be known as “Bethel Campus Fellowship (BCF)” and “BCF”, hereafter.

Section 2 - Purpose:

1. Bethel Campus Fellowship exists to provide regular opportunities to study and discuss the Bible, worship and pray, all in a group setting, which provides opportunities for fellowship, encouragement, and spiritual development among members.
2. We seek to be a resource to the student body by offering opportunities to discuss spiritual matters and provide materials in the form of outside speakers, videos, books and articles, all for their benefit and consideration.

Section 3 – Vision:

1. Bethel Campus Fellowship, Inc. (BCF) is an interdenominational organization established to proclaim the Lordship of our Lord Jesus Christ on college campuses. The vision of the Bethel Campus Fellowship is – *“Leading Students to Christ and preparing them to become reliable men and women that God can entrust with His word for the next generation”*.

Section 4 - Non-Discrimination Policy:

BCF does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, programs, admission, and employment.

BCF is a safe space where all members and attendees can come to experience the love of Christ, receive the Word, and have a spiritual home on campus. No member of BCF shall experience any form of hazing, mockery or hate.

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Bethel Campus Fellowship expects its members to conduct themselves in a manner that maintains an environment free from sexual misconduct. All members are responsible for adhering to University Policy 1.15, which can be found here: <https://hr.osu.edu/public/documents/policy/policy115.pdf>.

If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at

<http://titleIX.osu.edu> or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at titleIX@osu.edu.

Article II - Membership: Qualifications and categories of membership.

II.a. As required by the Guidelines for Student Organizations, 90% of the membership of a student organization must include current Ohio State University students.

II.b A member shall be defined as any student who attends two or more Bible Studies in a semester and joins the “OSU BCF Bible Study” GroupMe.

II.c Members will have full access to the teachings, events, mentors, and resources available through BCF.

Article III – Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers

III.a. The motion to remove an officer from his/her position must be presented in writing to the BCF National Administration, who will then notify the officer in question about the motion to remove them. The officer in question will meet with the BCF National Administration to discuss the notification and a decision will be made.

III.b. If an officer desires to resign from their position, they must submit in writing, notification of their resignation at least a minimum of 30 days prior to their set departure date.

III.c. Officers who are about to graduate from the university will be removed upon graduation. These individuals are to consider who may be good candidates to replace them on the e-board and are also encouraged to mentor and train them on how to conduct their responsibilities on the e-board.

III.d. Members will be removed by a process of majority vote of the following officers (president, vice president, treasurer and admin)

Article IV - Organization Leadership: Titles, terms of office, type of selection, and duties of the leaders.

Required leadership positions:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Admin

Advisor

***The organization will be established on campus for the 2022-23 academic year. Hence, the President has appointed all e-board positions. However, for the 2023-24

academic year and afterward, all leadership positions will be appointed by a majority vote of the members present during elections held at Bible Study.***

Term of Office: An eboard member can run/serve in the same position no more than two-academic years

1. *President*

- (a) Executes and maintains the final say on any major decisions (outlined in tasks (b) – (g)) related to BCF*
- (b) Determines the topics that will be taught during Bible study*
- (c) Operates as the primary presenter during Bible Study*
- (d) Coordinates all BCF related events.*
- (e) Reviews and approves all proposed expenditures by the organization.*
- (f) Responsible for securing Bible Study location*
- (g) Coordinates evangelism efforts*
- (h) Responsible for appointing other officers*
- (i) Serve for an academic year term.*

2. *Vice President*

- (a) Lead one Bible Study a semester*
- (b) Handle process of welcoming new members into the GroupMe*
- (c) Shall assume the role of President if President is no longer able to serve*
- (d) Serve for an academic year term*

3. *Treasurer*

- (a) Handle financial responsibilities with the President*
- (b) Lead one Bible Study a semester*
- (c) Serve for an academic year term*

4. *Admin*

- (a) Handle all administrative tasks for the ministry*
- (b) Plan all scheduled activities during each term with the President*
- (c) Debrief at the end of each academic term to plan for the following semester*
- (d) Serve for an academic year term*

5. *Men's Fellowship Coordinator*

- (a) Organize and plan men's fellowship events held once or twice a semester*
- (b) Serve for an academic year term*

6. *Women's Fellowship Coordinator*

- (a) Organize and plan women's fellowship events held once or twice a semester*
- (b) Serve for an academic year term*

7. Social Media Coordinator

- (a) Operate social media handle as primary form of digital outreach and evangelism for the ministry*
- (b) Serve for an academic year term*

8. Prayer Coordinator

- (c) Maintain biweekly 30-minute prayer calls during the semester for the ministry*

9. Advisor

- (a) Meet regularly with President to check the progress of the ministry*
- (b) Offers support, encouragement, and guidance to the President*
- (c) Serve for an academic year term and a maximum of two years*

Article V – Meetings and events of the Organization: Required meetings and their frequency.

IX. Two general meetings and being added to the “OSU BCF Bible Study” GroupMe are required for membership each academic term except for summer.

Article VI – Attendee Behavior in BCF Meetings

1. BCF reserves the right to address member or event attendee behavior where the member or event attendee's behavior is disruptive or otherwise not in alignment with the organization's constitution.

This may be done by:

- a. Talking with the member or event attendee separately to inform them of their wrong and further prevent complications from occurring again*
- b. Mediating a conflict between members and/or attendees in the manner outlined in Matthew 18:15-21*

c. In cases where member or attendee does not cooperate, asking them to excuse themselves and officers will deliberate on further actions needing to be done

Article XI – Method of Amending Constitution: Proposals, notice, and voting requirements.

Include the method for amending the constitution here. Define the process for proposing an amendment, providing notice to the organization or executive board, and the exact voting procedure for approving the amendment.

X. The constitution shall be amended at the end of each academic term only after a meeting of the officers who will determine whether it needs to be amended or not.