

# **Constitution: Student Printmaker's Association (2024-25)**

## **Article I - Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization**

### Section 1: Name

Student Printmakers Association

### Section 2: Purpose Statement

S.P.A. is an all-inclusive club that drives to provide a space for students to explore the art practice of printmaking. We will create a safe and welcoming learning environment to promote expression through art, specifically printmaking. This club's purpose is to continue to create diversity on The Ohio State University's campus, specifically in terms of art.

### Section 3: Non-Discrimination Policy

This organization 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.

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Student Printmakers Association, 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](mailto:titleIX@osu.edu).

## **Article II – Membership and Member Selection**

As required by the Guidelines for Student Organizations, 90% of the membership of a student organization must include current Ohio State University students. Active members and Executive Committee can make decisions regarding the membership of the community and other non-student members of an organization. Community or other non-student members may be suspended with a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

### **Article III – Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers**

If a member engages in behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, violates the organization's constitution or by-laws, or violates the Code of Student Conduct, university policy, or federal, state, or local law, the member may be removed through a majority vote of the officers in consultation with the organization's advisor.

Any elected officer of the chapter may be removed from their position for cause. Cause for removal includes but is not limited to violation of the constitution or by-laws, failure to perform duties, or any behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, including violations of the Student Code of Conduct, university policy, or federal, state, or local laws. The Executive Committee may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board in consultation with the organization's advisor.

If the reason for member removal is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or cannot otherwise be shared with members (e.g., while an investigation is pending), {00312468-1} the executive board, in consultation with the organization's advisor, may vote to temporarily suspend a member or executive officer.

### **Article IV - Organization Leadership (Officer Positions and Duties)**

Organization leaders represent the Executive Committee and general membership and are elected or appointed from the ranks of the organization's voting membership. The titles of organization leaders, the length of terms, specification as to which leaders are elected or appointed and by whom, and the general duties of each leadership position should be clearly specified.

Required leadership positions:

Primary Leader (President): Chloe McGreal (2024-25)

- Leads every monthly meeting
- Designates tasks for members in events that take place
- In charge of all ordering and supplies for club and fundraising

Secondary Leader: Matty Machado (2024-25)

- Support for the primary leader
- Help with any events that are to be scheduled or take place
- Additional guidance for the primary leader

Treasurer: Kailey Merriam (2024-25)

- Required to attend any meeting that takes place
- Keep the checks and balances of the club
- In charge of all transactions that take place at events and meetings

Advisor: Jessie Horning

- Support for the well-being of the group
- Assistants for the primary leader with any guidance questions

Other members:

- Listed on Student Organization Management System

### **Article V- Election / Selection of Organization Leadership**

Elections will happen at the beginning of every fall semester and roles will be maintained for that following academic year. The primary leader will decide to hold elections at the first fall semester meeting or if voting is not necessary appointment of new members will happen during the first fall meeting.

### **Article VII - Standing Committees (if needed)**

These committees serve the organization leadership, the Executive Committee, and general membership. Standing committees are permanent and designed to carry out the basic functions of the organization. Often chairpersons of these committees are appointed by the organization leadership.

### **Article VIII – Advisor(s) or Advisory Board: Qualification Criteria**

Advisors of student organizations must be full-time members of the University faculty or Administrative & Professional staff. If a person is serving as an advisor who is not a member of the above classifications, a co-advisor must be chosen who is a member of these University classifications. Responsibilities and expectations of advisors should be clearly and adequately described.

### **Article IX – Meetings and Events of the Organization**

Monthly general meetings on the third Tuesday of every month and attendance at all or 50% of events hosted may be required for membership each academic term except for summer. Every meeting will have a sign in sheet to keep track of attendance.

### **Article X – Attendees of Events of the Organization**

Every spring semester there will be an annual print sale that takes place in Hopkins for two days of the semester. Every member is expected to attend a shift over those two days to see that the event goes well. If members are not able to partake in the event itself, they will be put in charge of all the background work to prepare for the event.

The organization 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. {00312468-1}

### **Article XI – Method of Amending Constitution**

Any proposed amendments should be presented to the organization in writing and should not be acted upon when initially introduced. Upon initial introduction, the proposed amendments should be read in the general meeting, then read again at a specified number of subsequent general meetings and the general meeting in which the votes will be taken and should either require a two-third or three-quarter majority of voting members (a quorum being present) or a majority or two-thirds of the entire voting membership of the organization, present or not. The constitution should not be amended easily or frequently.

### **Article XII – Method of Dissolution of Organization**

If that organization needs to dissolve it will become inactive in the Ohio State University's archive and need to be unarchived by the new primary leader that wants to bring the club back. No old member will be held responsible for the dissolution of the group. All debts will need to be taken care of prior to dissolution. Upon the official dissolution of the organization, Student Activities staff must be contacted to remove organization information from the website.