

Wildcats Who Walk at the University of Arizona
Organization Constitution

ARTICLE I: This constitution was adopted by majority vote on January 1, 0000

ARTICLE II: Wildcats Who Walk is a student group that focuses on healthy walking habits on campus and advocating for safer walking paths and enhanced lighting on the University of Arizona campus.

ARTICLE III: Wildcats Who Walk is a student-controlled group at the University of Arizona. Any University of Arizona student in good academic standing can be a member of Wildcats Who Walk. Wildcats Who Walk will have a faculty/staff advisor, who will not serve as a member.

ARTICLE IV: Wildcats Who Walk is a not-for-profit student group. There will be no dues owed by any member of the organization.

ARTICLE V: Officers of the Club

SECTION 1- OFFICERS

Officers of the club shall include but not limited to: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership/Social Media Chair. All the officers will make up the Executive Board.

SECTION 2-DUTIES

The President will serve as the chief spokesperson of Wildcats Who Walk. The President will work with the Executive Board and club advisor to make sure the club is fulfilling its purpose in Article II. The President will chair all Executive Board meetings.

The Secretary will keep minutes of all general meetings and Executive Board meetings. The Secretary will keep track of all elections and voting actions, and report results of elections and voting actions to members within 24 hours of said action. The Secretary will send general meeting minutes to all members within 24 hours of a general meeting.

The Treasurer will be responsible for maintaining the club's finances and bank accounts. The Treasurer will apply for funding for events and club travel. The Treasurer will provide financial reports to the Executive Board once a month, and to the general membership once a semester.

The Membership/Social Media Chair will be responsible for recruiting new members to the group. The Membership/Social Media Chair will maintain all

social media accounts of Wildcats Who Walk and make regular posts that promote the club.

SECTION 3-QUALIFICATIONS

All officers must be in good academic standing at the University of Arizona. Undergraduate students must carry a minimum of six (6) credits during their term of office and maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA. Graduate students must carry a minimum of three (3) credits during their term of office and maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA.

SECTION 4-NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS, AND TERM OF OFFICE

To be considered for election to officer, one must be nominated by at least three (3) members of the group. Executive Board members can nominate general members to run for election. The advisor and any non-affiliated person cannot nominate members to run for office.

Elections will take place every March for the next academic year. Elections will be based upon a majority vote of club members in good standing, including Executive Board members. Only members can vote in elections; the advisor nor any non-affiliated person does not have voting power and do not have any influence in the nomination and election processes. Elections will take place by a secret ballot and be counted and reported by the Secretary.

The term of office is one (1) academic year starting at the beginning of the Summer term and ending at the end of the following Spring term. An officer can serve up to two (2) terms in a particular position. An officer cannot hold more than one officer position at a time.

SECTION 5-REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

Removal of officers will take place through a special election after being proposed by a member in good standing who has petitioned at least seven (7) members in good standing for removal. Once the petition has been introduced at a general meeting, the officer has the opportunity to respond to the petition. An election for removal will be conducted by the Secretary by secret ballot, which will require a 2/3 majority vote for removal. If an officer is removed, then a special election will be held at the next general meeting to vote on a replacement.

ARTICLE V: MEETING PROCEDURES

Executive Board meetings will be held once a month. General member meetings will take place twice a month. Quorum is at least half of the total membership plus one person. Voting on motions and club business requires a simple majority of quorum.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by the Executive Board and supported by at least ten (10) members through a petition. Once the petition is presented to the Secretary, voting on amending the constitution will take place at the next general meeting. The meeting will allow for discussion on the amendments, and a 2/3 majority vote is needed for amendments to take effect.

ARTICLE VII: WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH UNIVERSITY

Wildcats Who Walk is willing to work in a democratic matter within the framework of University of Arizona policies and procedures.

ARTICLE VIII: STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

This organization shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or genetic information in any of its policies, procedures, and practices. This policy will include, but is not limited to recruiting, membership, organization activities, or opportunity to hold office. Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute 15-1863, religious or political student organizations may determine that ordering the organizations internal affairs, selecting the organization's leaders and members, defining the organization's doctrines and resolving the organization's disputes are in furtherance of the organization's religious or political mission and that only persons committed to that mission should conduct such activities. Pursuant to Section 106.14 of the regulations promulgated under Title IX of the US Education Act Amendment of 1972, Social Greek Letter Organizations may limit membership based on gender.

ARTICLE IX: STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILTIV

A specific member or members designated by this organization shall be responsible for payment in full of all debts accumulated by the organization not covered by funds on deposit.

ARTICLE X: STATEMENT OF NON-HAZING

This organization will not conspire to engage in hazing, participate in hazing, or commit any act that causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any fellow student or person attending the institution.

ARTICLE XI: STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

This organization shall comply with all University and campus policies and regulations, in addition to all local, state, and federal laws.

ARTICLE XII: Wildcats Who Walk is subject to the Arizona Board of Regents Code of

Conduct.

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