

## **Nursing Student Organization Bylaws**

### **Organization Name**

The name of this organization shall be Nursing Student Organization.

### **Purpose and Goals**

The purpose of the Nursing Student Organization is to provide LSCO students interested in pursuing Nursing the opportunity to promote an awareness of the nursing profession through campus and community activities.

The functions of this organization include:

- To provide an organization to students interested in nursing, and to encourage participation in meetings and activities.
- To stimulate interest in nursing and related areas such as health promotion.
- To serve as a channel of communication between LSCO and the students.
- To provide students with a mechanism to become involved in LSCO and community activities.
- To sponsor and promote education for its members and to conduct occasional fund-raising activities.

### **Membership Eligibility, Standards and Requirements**

Membership shall consist of current and future nursing students and any student interested in nursing as a profession.

Each member must be an active participant in the group.

### **Executive Board Positions**

All officers must be currently enrolled in the LSCO VN or RN Transition Program.

Officers and SGA Representatives are as follows:

1. President- One each from VN and RN Transition
2. Vice President- One each from VN and RN Transition
3. SGA Representatives- 2 or 3 each from VN and RN Transition

Class officers and representatives will be elected during the first two weeks of 2<sup>nd</sup> level VN and RN Transition program.

The duties of the President shall be as follows:

Preside over all business meetings.  
Appoint and establish necessary committees.  
Represent the organization at all times.

The duties of the Vice President shall be as follows:

Perform all duties of the president in this event of his/her absence.  
Coordinate all committees.  
Take minutes of the meetings.  
Record member participation at scheduled events.

The Student Government Representatives shall:

Represent the Nursing organization at Student Government meetings as necessary.

At least one student from Nursing must attend the SGA meetings every other week. The officers and reps must notify an advisor when

they are unable to attend the meetings to ensure that someone represents the Nursing Student Organization at SGA meetings.

### **Statement of Annual Review**

The constitution will be reviewed annually each Fall semester. By-laws may be changed (amended or repealed) at any regular or called meeting of the LSC-O Nursing Student Org. Proposed changes shall be presented in writing at a regular meeting. A majority vote of those present will be sufficient to approve changes and/or amendments. The constitution is subject to the approval of Leadership initiatives.

### **Committees**

Committees may be formed as the need arises. Any issues requiring a committee should be directed to either of the Nursing co-advisors.

### **Elections**

All candidates for office must be currently enrolled in the nursing program.

Nominations from the floor can be made at the same meeting as the election.

Plurality of the votes cast will determine the new officer.

In any case when an officer must resign from his or her position, an election shall be held to elect a new officer. Plurality of the votes cast will determine the new officer.

### **Disciplinary Procedures**

Disciplinary proceedings will follow the guidelines from the VN and RN Transition program Handbooks. Members will be notified in

writing to appear in front of the VN or RN Transition Standards Committee. Violations of Program Policies constitute disciplinary action.

### **Meetings**

Meetings will be held in the Nursing Classroom Building monthly and as needed. An officer or representative is expected to attend the SGA meetings and report back to the advisor.

### **Financial Procedures Statement**

This organization does not collect money or have a financial account. A spreadsheet of the Nursing Student organization funds will be managed by the advisors.

### **Advisor Expectations**

The advisors shall oversee each meeting and activity to make certain that the rules and regulations of the LSC-O Student Catalog and the Nursing program Handbooks are being applied. Advisors are responsible for facilitating and providing guidance for the Nursing Student Organization.