

CONSTITUTION

Article I - Name

The formal name of this organization shall be the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Psychology Club. The informal names shall be Psych Club and Psychology Club.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of Psychology Club is to provide a forum in which students interested in psychology can interact with others who have similar interests. The meetings are designed to fill a number of functions including: provide a way for people to get to know one another, to meet to talk about issues, to learn about opportunities available to psychology majors and minors, to learn more information about courses and the department, to discuss job and volunteer opportunities, and to get to know the psychology faculty in a more casual environment.

Article III - Membership

Psychology Club is a student organization open to all students, including Psychology majors and minors who do not yet meet the GPA or unit requirements for Psi Chi or do not wish to join Psi Chi.

Article IV - Officers and Committees

Section 1 - Composition.

Elected officers of Psychology Club include: president, vice-president, and secretary/treasurer. Other officer positions may be created as specified in the Bylaws.

Section 2 - Eligibility.

Only active members of Psychology Club are encouraged to run for office. Officers must be enrolled as students during their terms of office. Students are not eligible to run for any office in which the term of office extends beyond their planned graduate date.

Section 3 - Term of Office.

Officers are elected in the spring semester and serve a one-year term (Late May to late May).

Section 4 - Vacancies.

If a position becomes open during the academic year, the Executive Committee may choose to hold a special election or it may choose to leave the office vacant until the regular elections. If the office is left vacant, the duties of the office will be shared among current officers

Section 5 - Duties.

The specific duties of each office are described in the Bylaws.

Section 6 - Removal from Office.

Officers may be removed from office for failure to perform their duties. Procedures for removal from office are described in the Bylaws.

Article V - Meetings

Meetings are held with the University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh chapter of Psi Chi and vary in content. Meetings may include speakers, social events and more formal sessions. Public meetings are advertised through a variety of means including: announcements in class, flyers placed on the Psychology Club bulletin board and e-mail postings to all psychology majors. Psychology Club meets weekly in Clow 48 on Thursdays at noon. Generally, every other meeting is open to the public, with the opposite meetings serving as organizational meetings for the officers.

Article VI - Elections

Officer elections will be held in spring semester for the following academic year. Elections will be by secret written ballot. Election procedures are described in the Bylaws. Information regarding the specifics of an election must be presented at least one month prior to the election and are posted on the Psychology Club bulletin board and sent via e-mail to all psychology majors.

Article VII - Amendment to the Constitution

Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by any active member of Psychology Club. The steps in the amendment process are: Amendments must be introduced in writing prior to the meeting at which a preliminary vote on the amendment is scheduled. The amendment may be introduced at a prior meeting or it may be distributed electronically at least one week before the meeting at which a preliminary vote is to be taken. For electronic distribution, the amendment should be submitted in electronic format to a member of the Executive Committee in time for distribution to the members at large. If the amendment receives a 2/3 majority approval of officers present and voting at a regular meeting, it shall be presented for approval to all active members. A majority vote (> 50%) by a show of hands in favor of the ratification will serve to approve a proposed ratification.

Article VIII - Ratification of the Constitution

Ratification of the Constitution shall be by a simple majority of active officers. A majority vote (> 50%) by a show of hands in favor of the ratification will serve to approve a proposed ratification. Constitution Revised: March 2007