Constitution of UMKC Psychology Club

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Article I.

Name. The name of this organization shall be “Psychology Club” of the University of Missouri – Kansas City, hereafter referred to as Psych Club.

Article II.

Purpose/Preamble. The purpose of the organization shall be to advance learning in the field of psychology. Additionally, this organization will serve as a means for students who are not eligible for membership in Psi Chi to become involved in psychology at UMKC.

Article III.

Membership. Membership shall be open to all duly enrolled UMKC students. Membership and activities are open to all currently enrolled students regardless of race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, disability, or Vietnam era veteran’s status.

Article IV.

Meetings. Meetings will be held at least once per semester.

Article V.

Committees. Committees will be formed by the club officers as they are needed in order to accomplish the tasks and goals of the organization.

Article VI.

Officers. The officers of this organization shall consist of President and Treasurer. Officers shall be elected for a term of one school year by a majority vote of all active student members of UMKC Psychology Club. Every effort will be made to notify all members of said election and, further, to reasonably accommodate the needs of all members desiring to participate. Elections shall occur in April. All positions will be held for a term one year, by a majority vote of the membership.

Officers must meet minimum eligibility requirements, including a cumulative GPA of 2.5 and six credit hours of current enrollment, and must not be on student conduct disciplinary or honor code probation. The requirement to be enrolled in six credit hours will be waived for Doctoral students who have completed their formal degree course work, have passed their comprehensive or matriculation examination, and are continuously enrolled in at least one hour of research in the Fall and Winter semesters.
Article VII.

Advisor. The advisor for this organization shall be decided upon by the executive officers of the organization. The advisor must be a UMKC faculty or staff member.

Article VIII.

Finances. Paying dues is not a mandatory requirement to be considered a member of this organization. The books of account shall be kept up-to-date and open to the inspection of the University auditor.

Article IX.

Anti-Hazing. Hazing is strictly prohibited in the State of Missouri and by the University. Hazing is defined as any willful act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, directed against a student or a prospective member of an organization operating under the sanction of an educational institution, that recklessly endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student or prospective member for the purpose of initiation or admission into or continued membership in any such organization.

Acts of hazing include, but are not limited to:

- Any activity that recklessly endangers the physical health or safety of the student or prospective member, including but not limited to physical brutality, whipping, beating, branding, exposure to the elements, forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug, or other substance
- Any activity that endangers the mental health of the student or prospective member, including but not limited to sleep deprivation, physical confinement, or other extreme stress inducing activity.
- Any activity that requires the student or prospective member to perform a duty or task which involves a violation of the criminal laws of this state or any political subdivision in this state. Hazing is a class C Felony.

Article X.

Amendments. It is further understood that if this organization desires at any time in the future to change in any way the provisions of this constitution, that before such action is taken, the organization will submit for approval to the Student Government Association and the Student Life Office every detail of the desired changes to be made.

Article XI.

By-laws. Officer Duties

President:
- Serve as main liaison between officers and Faculty Advisor
- Serve as main liaison between the Office of Student Involvement and club members
- Maintain an up-to-date RooGroups page with current officer listings and constitution
- Assist the Treasurer with all budget related duties, including attending a funding workshop in the fall semester
- Work with the Psi Chi President to coordinate club activities
- Plan, in conjunction with Psi Chi officers, at least one service project per year
- With the Treasurer, be responsible for any tasks/duties not completed by other officers

**Treasurer:**
- Assist the President in club activities
- Coordinate membership drives at the beginning of each semester
- Coordinate the Induction Ceremony in the spring.
- Lead all budget related tasks, including attending a funding workshop in the fall semester
- Prepare budget request to the Office of Student Involvement
- Be in charge of deposits to Psych Club account
- In conjunction with the Psi Chi Treasurer, coordinate all fundraising (e.g., bake sale)
- With the President, be responsible for any tasks/duties not completed by other officers