

## EXAMPLE #1

### BY-LAWS OF XXXX XXX CHAPTER OF KAPPA PI XXXXXXXXXX COLLEGE

#### Article I

The purpose of the xxxxxx xxxx chapter of Kappa Pi International Honorary Art Fraternity at xxxxxxxxxx College is:

1. To increase awareness of the art program at xxxxxxxxxx College by being inducted in an honorary art society
2. To provide an open forum for discussion, informal study and communication among artists
3. To raise the standards of productive artistic work at xxxxxxxxxx College
4. To promote the standard of scholarship through the minimum academic requirements for membership
5. To promote the standard of leadership by giving art students the opportunity to actively participate in a liberal arts environment
6. Promote the standard of service by actively participating in charitable activities

#### Article II

##### Membership:

Eligibility for membership will be based primarily on achievement in the field of Art, without regard to other fraternity or sorority affiliations. The Fraternity will be composed of Active, Alumni, Sponsor, Faculty, Associate, Honorary, Patron and Life membership.

##### Section 1: Active:

Those who are matriculates of xxxxxxx College, have been regularly elected to membership in the Fraternity, and have been duly initiated into membership according to the Rituals and Laws of the Fraternity. Minimum requirements for Active membership are:

1. Completion of 12 credit hours of Art with a 3.0 average, or one year of professional work in some field of art.
2. A cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.

##### Section 2: Alumni:

Those who have been active members of the Fraternity or members that have graduated from xxxxxx College.

##### Section 3: Sponsor:

Limited to two faculty members from xxxxxxxxxx College who will be exempt from dues and fees of the Fraternity. Sponsors have voting power.

##### Section 4: Faculty:

Faculty Members, in addition to Chapter Sponsors, will be invited to affiliate on the basis of payment of International dues of \$10.00 with no initiation fee. A certificate of membership and pin will be issued upon payment of fees.

##### Section 5: Associate:

Associate memberships bring supporters of the arts into our fraternity. They are recognized for their support of the arts for the chapter, school, or community, and will have no voting power. Record blanks for such Associate Members will be filled out and sent to the International President by the secretary of the local Chapter admitting them to membership. They will pay or the chapter may pay the regular fee of \$25.00 before initiation and annual dues thereafter.

##### Section 6: Honorary:

Honorary members of the chapter should exemplify outstanding achievement in the visual arts. They have no voting rights.

**Section 7: Patron:**

Granted to those who contribute generously in the field of art to the chapter, school or International Fraternity through gifts, endowments and art scholarships which enrich the community or campus of xxxxxxxx College.

**Section 8: Life:**

Any member in the above category who makes a contribution of \$100.00 to the Scholarship Endowment Fund of the International Fraternity.

**Article II****Fees:****Section 1: Initiation Fees**

\$25.00 per prospective initiate will be forwarded to the International President within three weeks of the initiation. Initiation fees must be paid in full from all prospective initiates prior to their admission or initiation and will cover publication subscription for one year.

**Section 2: Active membership:**

After the first year, active members will pay \$10.00 annually which includes a subscription to the chapter magazine for 1 year.

**Section 3: Additional membership classes**

- a. *Alumni*: \$10.00 annually, receive Certificate of membership, pin and publication subscription included.
- b. *Sponsor*: No fees, receive Certificate of membership, pin and publications.
- c. *Faculty*: \$10.00 annually, receive Certificate of membership, pin and publications.
- d. *Associate*: \$25.00 initiation fee and \$10.00 annually after the first year, receive Certificate of membership, pin and publication subscription included.
- e. *Honorary*: Receive Certificate of membership, pin and publications.
- f. *Patron*: Significant gifts as indicated in Article I, Section 7, Certificate of membership, pin and publications.
- g. *Life*: With a contribution of \$10.00 to the International Scholarship Endowment Fund, receive a special certificate, pin and are listed in the annual magazine.

**Section 4: Gifts:**

Gifts can be made to the chapter at xxxxx College or International Fraternity by members or interested individuals. Such gifts can be designated, if the donor desires, for such purposes as the International Scholarship Endowment Fund or for other purposes.

EXAMPLE #2

XXXXXXXXXXXX STATE UNIVERSITY  
By Laws of the XXXXXX XXXX Chapter

ARTICLE I. NAME

The organization will be known as the XXXXXX XXXX Chapter of Kappa Pi International Honorary Art Fraternity.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The Kappa Pi Chapter serves many purposes. Its objectives span from the promotion of art education/enlightenment to organizing people with an interest in art for informal social gatherings, as well as for service and community related projects.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Kappa Pi membership consists of an elite group who meet the requirements and undergraduate student who maintains a 3.0 GPA in art course work and at least a 2.5 in overall academics.

SECTION 2. Kappa Pi membership consists of students, faculty and staff with an interest in art. All members must be currently enrolled at XXXXXXXXXXXX State University.

SECTION 3. In order to be regarded as a respected regular member with voting privileges a student must be present at Kappa Pi meetings and participate in Kappa Pi activities. A member with 3 consecutive un-excused absences will be considered inactive and will have voting privileges revoked until such time as that member has participated in 3 or more consecutive events and been reinstated as an active member.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Kappa Pi officers are made up of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and a reporter.

ARTICLE V. OFFICER ELIGIBILITY

SECTION 1. Officers of the organization shall hold and maintain cumulative grade point average of 2.5 and must be an undergraduate at XXXXXXXXXXXX State University. They may not be on disciplinary or academic probation.

SECTION 2. Officers shall be nominated during the first regular meeting of the Fall Semester and voting shall take place at the second regular meeting.

ARTICLE VI. STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The standing committees shall be:

SECTION 2. The standing committees shall meet a minimum of once a month.

SECTION 3. The chair of each standing committee will be appointed by the president with majority approval of the members present and voting.

SECTION 4. The chair of each standing committee will have the same duties as the president, when dealing with their respective committees.

SECTION 5. The faculty sponsor must approve all chapter activities.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

SECTION 1. Regular meetings shall be held at a posted time and place.

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be called by executive officers and the faculty sponsor.

SECTION 3. Official business may not be conducted without a quorum of 25% of the active membership present.

SECTION 4. The agenda at regular meetings may include, but not limited to:

- A. Call to order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Reading of the previous meeting minutes
- D. Announcements
- E. Reports
- F. Old Business
- G. New Business
- H. Faculty Sponsor Comments
- I. Adjournment

ARTICLE VIII. FINANCES

SECTION 1. Money received, for any purpose, will be deposited with the Accounting Office at XXXXXXXX State University in an Agency Account set up for that purpose.

SECTION 2. Disbursements will be made from the Agency Account with the approval of the appropriate officer(s) and faculty sponsor as listed on the Agency Account Agreement, after a check request has been submitted to the Accounting Office.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENT AND RATIFICATION

SECTION 1. These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the members present and voting.

SECTION 2. Any changes must be submitted to the membership in writing, 30 days before voting may take place.

SECTION 3. Nothing contained in these bylaws shall in any way limit the final authority of XXXXXXXX State University, the XXXXXX State University System, the Board of Regents of the State of XXXXXX.

SECTION 4. This organization shall be governed by the Board of Regents Rules and Regulation, Student Handbook, and Campus Organization Handbook of XXXXXX State University.

SECTION 5. Ratification of these bylaws shall be followed with the approval of the membership and approval and acceptance of the coordinator of Campus Activities.

SECTION 6. Upon ratification of these bylaws, all other previous bylaws shall be null and void.

Approved:

President

Date

Faculty Sponsor

Date