

**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII STUDENT CAUCUS (UHSC)**

**BY-LAWS**

05/14/12

**The UHSC By-laws will remain in effect until a new version has been officially ratified.**

**ARTICLE I – AUTHORITY**

**SECTION 1-1            REGENTS' POLICY ON SYSTEM-WIDE STUDENT INVOLVEMENT"**

The Board delegates to the President, or the President's designee, the authority to charter a system-wide student association, to approve its constitution and to approve its budget. The purpose of such an association shall be to advocate collectively and democratically for the interests and needs of all students throughout the University and not the interests of any particular group or category of students. The association shall be composed of representatives from existing and future member campus student governments and may remain in existence provided it continues to fulfill the purpose of such a system-wide student association as stipulated in the Board's policy.

**SECTION 1-2            FUTURE MEMBER CAMPUSES**

The UHSC maintains the right to induct future member campus that are eligible, as defined in Chapter 7 Sections 7-1 through 7-3 of the Board of Regents Policy, to the UHSC.

The UHSC further maintains the right to allow other student governance bodies, that do not classify as eligible, a seat on UHSC as non-voting members on the UHSC. In order for this to take affect there must be simple majority vote by UHSC in favor of allowing said body into the UHSC.

**ARTICLE II – MEETINGS**

**SECTION 2-1:            CAMPUS-FUNDING**

All student delegates are to encourage their respective campus student governments to allocate funds from their budget to host UHSC at their campus. If the campus is, for financial reasons, unable to budget the funds UHSC shall provide funding to the individual campus. Campus student governments are encouraged to follow the hosting guidelines set forth by the UHSC.

**ARTICLE III – DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**SECTION 3-1:            ADVISOR**

It shall be the responsibility of the staff advisor to:

(1) foster and promote student learning, student success, and student satisfaction with all members of UHSC; and

- (2) develop students' leadership skills, critical thinking skills, communication skills, organizational skills, problem-solving skills, and interpersonal skills; and
- (3) work with all members of UHSC to ensure that individuals are executing their duties and responsibilities as specified; and
- (4) communicate the needs, goals, concerns, roles, and interests of both students and the University to each other; and
- (5) advocate on behalf of one to the other in the process of institutional governance.

**ARTICLE IV – AMMENDMENT & RATIFICATION**

**SECTION 4-1. AMENDMENT**

All motions to amend the by-laws must be proposed through the UHSC during scheduled delegation meetings. Amendments proposed are made official upon the completion of the ratification process. Any amendments must be submitted, in writing, to the UHSC at least ten (10) school days before the monthly delegation. Amendments shall take effect upon approval of the UHSC Advisor.

**SECTION 4-2. RATIFICATION**

Official ratification requires a 2/3 majority vote from UHSC and final approval from the UH President or the President's designee.

**Composed by UHSC Delegation 2011-2012 on: \_\_\_\_\_ at meeting \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Adopted and amended by UHSC Delegation 2011-2012 on: \_\_\_\_\_**

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 UHSC Chairman Date

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 UHSC Advisor Date

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 UH President Date