

**TRINITY COLLEGE
OF NURSING & HEALTH SCIENCES**

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTION
AND BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE I
NAME AND PURPOSE**

SECTION I

Name:

This organization shall be known as Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences Student Government Association.

SECTION II

Purpose:

1. To be the official organization which shall be responsible for the government of the student body.
2. To serve as a method of communication between the students, faculty and administration.
3. To encourage high standards of personal/professional morale throughout the student body.
4. To provide opportunities for students to develop group and leadership skills.

SECTION III

Advisors:

1. Provide suggestions in any area.
2. Maintain availability for individual concerns.
3. Help maintain a global focus and direction.
4. Facilitate and maintain leadership.
5. Act as a liaison between the students, faculty, and administration.

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**ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP**

All students enrolled at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences automatically are members of the Student Government. Active members have voting privileges. Members in good academic standing are eligible to hold office.

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**ARTICLE III
OFFICERS AND TERM OF OFFICE**

SECTION I

The executive officers of this government shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and two committee co-chairs.

SECTION II

All students in good academic standing have the opportunity to run for an office. Executive officers shall be elected annually to serve a one-year term. Other committee officers and representatives will be appointed in September by the Student Government executive officers to serve for one year. Officers must be enrolled as a student for the entire term. All elections will be by written ballots; majority vote confers the office.

SECTION III

If any office is vacated before the term of that office is expired, a replacement shall be appointed by the Student government executive officers by majority vote. Resignations must be submitted to the president and the advisor in written form in a timely manner.

SECTION IV

Qualification of executive officers are as follows:

Any Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences' student running for president should have one year experience (preferred) serving as an officer, committee chairperson or group/organization representative of the Student Government.

Any Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences' student may run for vice-president, secretary, or committee co-chairs.

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**ARTICLE IV
MEETINGS**

SECTION I

Regular planned meetings of the Student Government shall be held once a month. Elected and designated Student Government members are required to attend all meetings. The student body is encouraged to attend all meetings.

SECTION II

Special meetings may be called as needed by the president, a majority of the Student Government, or upon written request of 10 percent (10%) of the student body. Posting of a notice one week prior will be considered sufficient notice. Immediate problems will be handled by the executive committee. Cancellations and postponement may be necessary, with three day notice. Attendance is encouraged.

SECTION III

Newly elected officers will assume responsibilities on the first of September.

SECTION IV

1. A quorum at all regular and special meetings of the Student Government shall consist of the members present at the meeting.
2. A majority for voting purposes will be a simple majority.
3. Absentee ballots may be picked up prior to election. All absentee ballots must be submitted by election date.
4. The executive committee will vote annually on the budget for the year.