

## **Hello World's Constitution**

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### **PREAMBLE**

To recognize the potential of first-year college students, we are establishing this constitution to launch an exclusive hackathon solely for freshmen. Our mission is to inspire the spark of innovation, foster collaboration, and empower these freshmen to explore and thrive in this world of technology.

### **ARTICLE I – Name**

This organization shall use the name Hello World. It should exclusively be referred to as Hello World.

### **ARTICLE II – Purpose of the Organization**

The purpose of this organization is to provide an exclusive platform for first-year college students to cultivate their passion for technology, innovation, and problem-solving. One of our main aims is to foster a supportive and inclusive environment where first-year students can develop valuable technical skills, collaborate with peers, and gain confidence in their own abilities. The organization seeks to encourage networking, mentorship, and interdisciplinary learning while empowering them to explore diverse areas of technology. In the end, our aim is to foster curiosity and teamwork while helping them prepare for their future careers with a strong foundation.

### **ARTICLE III – Membership**

#### **Section I.**

- Membership in Hello World is open to any freshman who is enrolled in Purdue University.
- A roster of all active members of Hello World may be found on Boiler Link.

#### **Section II.**

- Only active members of Hello World may hold office.
- The President of Hello World will decide who holds the offices of Vice President and Treasurer

#### **Section III.**

- Interested students may apply to join Hello World by reaching out to a member of the organization or via online application.
- Applicants must be eligible as defined in Article III, Section I.

#### Section IV.

- There are no financial dues involved in being a member of Hello World.

#### Section V.

- A member may withdraw from Hello World by submitting written notification to the President.

#### Section VI.

- Any member may call for the removal of another member by submitting a written request to the President. The President reserves final authority on the removal of a member.
- Any member of Hello world seen as not fulfilling their duties to a satisfactory level may be removed from the organization by a two-thirds majority vote.

Hello World complies with all State and Federal laws and Purdue University Hazing Policy. Further, the members of this organization understand that any individual or group found responsible for hazing will be subject to disciplinary action by the Office of the Dean of Students.

**Membership and participation are free from discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, or status as a veteran.**

### Article IV - Organization Officers and Election Procedure

#### Section A. List of Officers by Title

- The structure of Hello World will be such that there are three offices, the President, the Vice President, and the Treasurer.

#### Section B. Eligibility

- Any registered undergraduate at Purdue University is eligible to hold the title of President, Vice President, or Treasurer.
- The President, Vice President, and Treasurer can hold office for no more than 2 terms, consecutive or otherwise.

#### Section C. Length of Officer Term

- All officers shall be chosen annually and serve a one-year term starting on January 1 and ending on December 31st.

#### Section D. Election Procedure (or Application Process)

- At the end of a term, the President will appoint a new President for the following year.
- If for any reason the President has failed to successfully appoint a successor proper to his/her term ending, then the position of President shall be taken by the Vice President.
- The treasurer for a given term is appointed by the President of that term.

- Appointed candidates for either the role of President or Treasurer must accept the position, orally or written, before he/she assumes office.

#### Section F. Officer Removal

- Any member may call for the removal of the Treasurer via the process in Article III, Section VI.
- Any member may call for the removal of the President by submitting a written request to the Treasurer. The Treasurer will then call a meeting of all Hello World members. If at this meeting over 75% of members elect to remove the President, he/she shall be removed from office. An election will then be held to select a new President. Any interested member of Hello World may run in this election. This election shall require an absolute majority.
- Any member may call for the removal of the Vice President by submitting a written request to the President. The President will then call a meeting of all Hello World members. If at this meeting over 75% of members elect to remove the Vice President, he/she shall be removed from office. An election will then be held to select a new Vice President. Any interested member of Hello World may run in this election. This election shall require an absolute majority.

#### Section G. Officer Vacancy

- In the event of an elected position vacancy, the President and the Treasurer will nominate a new officer to fulfill the duties of the previous officer.

#### ARTICLE V - Advisor

The advisor(s) for Hello World shall be either a faculty or staff member and shall be chosen by the executive board. She or he shall serve a term of one year until the advisor resigns or is asked to resign by all officers. The advisor shall act as a liaison between the organization, the computer science department, and the university. Advisors may not vote or hold office in the organization.

#### ARTICLE VI - Officers and Duties

##### Section I. The President

The President will preside over all meetings. He/She will be responsible for creating the agendas for these meetings as well as maintaining order during the meetings. He/She will be responsible for appointing a leader for each team. These teams must include User Experience, Finance, Communications, Development, and Communications.

##### Section II. The Vice President

The Vice President is responsible for all the President's duties in the event that the President is not capable of performing them, within reason. The Vice President will be responsible for club-

to-club communication between Hello World and other organizations. They are also responsible for making sure the club office is in presentable condition.

### Section III. The Treasurer

The Treasurer is responsible for managing the finances including approving activity budgets and submitting reimbursements paperwork. He/She is also responsible for keeping the accounts, depositing the organization's funds, and make expenditures in a manner approved by the Business Office for Student Organizations. He/She will also have to maintain accurate financial record and create a budget.

Additional officer positions and duties can be added as deemed necessary by the organization.

### Article VII - Meetings


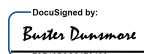
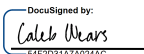
Regular meetings will be held at a date and time that is convenient for most officers and members. The President will call and facilitate the meetings.

### ARTICLE VIII - Constitutional Amendments

Amendments to this constitution shall be approved by a majority vote of the officers. Amendments may be proposed by an officer or active member. An active member shall be identified as any member who has attended at least 3 events. All amendments to the constitution and bylaws are subject to the approval of the Student Activities and Organizations (SAO) Office. They MAY NOT take effect until they have been approved.

### ARTICLE IX – Dissolution

The dissolution of an organization will be decided if at least  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the active members are not active anymore. Unspent funds or property of the organization can be donated to another recognized organization, Purdue department, or a 501(c)(3). Funds cannot be returned to their originator.

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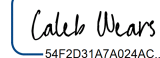
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