

Yuan Ze University

Student Association Organizational Constitution

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Chapter 1 General Provisions

Article 1: This constitution is established in accordance with Article 33 of the University Act, Article 26 of the Yuan Ze University Organizational Regulations, and the Regulations on the Establishment and Guidance of Student Autonomous Organizations at Yuan Ze University.

Article 2: The name of this association is the "Yuan Ze University Student Association." It is the highest student autonomous organization representing the students of the university.

Article 3: The purpose of this association is to enhance and implement student autonomy, promote the welfare of its members, pursue progress on campus, maintain harmony and development within the campus, and ensure the rights of its members.

Article 4: The headquarters of this association is located at the main campus of Yuan Ze University.

Chapter 2 Members

Article 5: Students currently enrolled at the university with student status are automatic members of this association.

Article 6: Members of this association shall have the following basic rights:

1. The right to elect and recall.
2. The right to initiate and referend.

3. The right to participate in various operations and activities organized by the Association.
4. Other rights in accordance with the objectives of the Association.

Article 7: Members of this association shall fulfill the following obligations:

1. Comply with the rules and regulations of the association and the resolutions of the Student Council.
2. Pay membership fees as required.

Chapter 3 Organization

Article 8: The association establishes the Student Administrative Center, the Student Council, and the Student Review Council.

The Student Administrative Center is the highest administrative body of the association, the Student Council is the highest legislative and deliberative body, and the Student Review Council is the highest review body.

Article 9: The association shall elect students to represent and participate in meetings related to school affairs, subject to the approval of the Student Council. However, when representatives are designated as automatic representatives according to regulations or are elected according to the autonomous regulations of the association, this requirement does not apply.

The method of electing student representatives shall be determined by other autonomous regulations of the association.

Chapter 4 Student Administrative Center

Article 10: The association shall appoint one President, serving a one-year term with the possibility of reelection for one consecutive term.

The President represents the association externally and provides leadership for the operation of the Student Administrative Center internally.

The association shall appoint one Vice President, serving a one-year term with the possibility of reelection for one consecutive term. The Vice President assists the President in handling the affairs of the association.

The association shall appoint one Secretary-General, serving a one-year term and appointed by the President. The Secretary-General assists in coordinating between the various structures of the association and supports the President and Vice President in matters related to the Student Administrative Center.

Individuals holding positions specified in this article may not concurrently serve as student

council members, members of the Student Review Council, or as leaders of other autonomous organizations or clubs at the university.

Article 11: The President has the following powers:

1. The power to promulgate autonomous regulations.
 2. The power to veto resolutions of the Student Council.
 3. The power to nominate members of the Student Review Council.
 4. The power to appoint the heads of the administrative departments of the Student Administrative Center.
 5. The authority to preside over meetings of the Student Administrative Center.
 6. The authority to execute other tasks as authorized by the constitution or regulations.
- Resolutions of the Student Council, except those subject to the President's veto power according to this constitution, shall be announced within ten days from the date of receipt.

Article 12: The powers of the Student Administrative Center are as follows:

1. Execute resolutions of the Student Council.
2. Develop and implement the association's work plan.
3. Handle matters related to the rights and obligations of members.
4. Nominate members of the Election Affairs Committee.
5. Organize and assist in member activities and related events.
6. Propose resolutions to the Student Council.
7. Execute other tasks as authorized by the constitution or regulations.

Article 13: The Student Administrative Center permanently establishes the Secretariat, the Student Rights and Legal Affairs Department, and the Financial Affairs Department. In addition to these permanent departments, other functional departments may be established as needed. The organizational structure of the Student Administrative Center and the responsibilities of each department shall be defined by other autonomous regulations. Members of the Student Administrative Center may not concurrently serve as Student Council representatives or members of the Student Review Committee.

Article 14: Each department of the Student Administrative Center, except for the Secretariat, where the Secretary-General concurrently handles supervisory duties, shall have one Director or Chairperson, appointed or dismissed by the President. The same procedure applies for appointments or dismissals in the event of a vacancy.

Article 15: In the event of a vacancy in the position of the President, In the event of a vacancy in the Vice President's position, the President shall nominate a candidate within one month, subject to approval by the Student Council, to serve until the end of the original term.

If both the President and Vice President positions are vacant, the Speaker of the Student Council shall act as the President.

If the vacancy exceeds three months, a by-election for the President and Vice President shall be conducted immediately to complete the remainder of the original term.

In the absence of the President due to unforeseen circumstances, the Vice President may act on behalf of the President for a period not exceeding three months.

Article 16: The Student Administrative Center shall convene regular meetings, consisting of the President, Vice President, and the directors of each department.

The President or their designee shall chair the meetings.

The meeting shall only be convened if more than half of the members are present, and resolutions on discussed matters require the agreement of the majority of attendees.

Article 17: The President is responsible for reporting on the operational affairs and work plans of the association at regular meetings of the Student Council.

When the Student Council disagrees with a significant policy of the President, it may pass a resolution requesting the President to make changes. The President may exercise the veto power over resolutions of the Student Council within ten days of the resolution being delivered.

Regarding the autonomous regulations, budget proposals, and resolutions of the Student Council, except for amendments to the organizational regulations, if the President finds the

difficult to implement, the President may exercise the veto power within ten days of the resolution being delivered.

Resolutions of the Student Council vetoed by the President shall be returned to the Student Council for reconsideration. If more than two-thirds of the council members agree to maintain the original resolution, the President shall accept the resolution or resign.

Chapter 5 Student Council

Article 18 The Student Council is composed of student representatives.

The organizational structure of the Student Council shall be determined by other self-governing regulations.

Article 19 The Student Council consists of fifteen student representatives, elected directly by members in a single electoral district covering the entire campus.

The term of office for student representatives is one year, with the possibility of reelection.

Article 20 The powers of the Student Council are as follows:

1. The authority to approve student autonomous legal proposals and amendments to this constitution.
2. The authority to approve the budget, review the final accounts, and assess the financial condition of the organization.
3. The right to hear reports on the operational activities and work plans of the president.
4. The authority to exercise the consent right of student representatives in the Student Review Council and other meetings related to school affairs.
5. The right to reflect and communicate the opinions of members.
6. The authority to approve proposals put forth by student representatives or the Student Administration Center.
7. The right to request the president to implement resolutions passed by the Student Council.
8. The power to conduct elections and impeach the chairman and vice chairman.
9. The right to bring impeachment charges against the president, vice president, or members of the Student Administration Center for violations of Taiwanese laws, student union regulations, or in cases of negligence.
10. The authority to investigate and propose corrective measures for matters related to the Student Administration Center.
11. Other tasks delegated by regulations.

Impeachment cases specified in the first paragraph, section nine, after being approved by the Student Council, shall be forwarded to the Student Review Council for examination.

Article 21 The Student Council shall have one chairman and one vice chairman, elected by mutual election among the student representatives, serving a term concurrent with that of the representatives.

The chairman is responsible for presiding over the meetings of the Student Council, and the vice chairman assists the chairman in handling business.

In the absence of the chairman, the vice chairman shall perform the duties, and if the vice chairman is absent, a new one shall be elected by the student representatives.

In case the chairman cannot perform the duties for a legitimate reason, the vice chairman may be appointed to exercise the powers.

Article 22 The Student Council consists of regular and ad hoc meetings:

1. Regular meetings shall be held three times per semester within one week after the start of each semester, one month before mid-term exams, and one month before final exams.
2. Ad hoc meetings can be called by the president, or by a petition signed by more than one-fourth of all council members.

A meeting may only be convened with the presence of over half of the members, and resolutions shall be passed with the agreement of more than half of the attending members. Resolutions related to the powers specified in Article 20, paragraph 1, section 8, (recall), section 9,

(impeachment), and section 10, (disciplinary action), require the approval of over two-thirds of the attending members.

Article 23 The Student Council may establish committees, the organization, rules, meeting times, and venues of which shall be determined by the council members.

Article 24 The Student Council shall establish a Disciplinary Committee to deliberate on disciplinary cases involving student councilors.

The Disciplinary Committee shall consist of five members elected from among the student councilors.

For disciplinary cases involving student councilors, a decision on the validity of the case and the level of punishment requires the agreement of two-thirds of all committee members to pass and must then be submitted to the Student Review Committee for further review.

The Disciplinary Committee may impose the most severe penalty of dismissal on student councilors who violate national laws resulting in a court conviction or commit serious misconduct. A dismissal decision requires the agreement of two-thirds of all Disciplinary Committee members, approval by two-thirds of the Student Council members, and submission to the Student Review Committee for review.

Disciplinary cases involving student councilors must be proposed by a student councilor and approved by the Student Council before being submitted to the Disciplinary Committee.

Matters related to the discipline of student councilors shall be determined by other autonomous regulations .

Article 25 Student representatives may not concurrently hold the following positions :

1. Leadership roles in other autonomous organizations, clubs, or departmental student associations at the university.
2. Membership in the Student Administration Center or the Student Review Council.

Article 26 The Student Council, in the execution of its duties, may request relevant information from the Student Administration Center.

Chapter 6 Student Review Council

Article 27 The Student Review Committee shall consist of five members, nominated by the President and approved by the Student Council.

The term of office for Student Review Committee members begins on the date of appointment and ends upon dismissal in accordance with student self-governance laws.

Members of the Student Review Committee may not concurrently serve as members of the Student Administrative Center or as student councilors.

Article 28 The powers of the Student Review Council are as follows:

1. Interpretation of the application of this organizational charter and autonomous regulations.
2. Examination of impeachment cases submitted by the Student Council or cases referred by

the Student Council Disciplinary Committee.

3. Assessment of whether the regulations of the organization violate national laws or involve hierarchical conflicts.

4. Evaluation of cases challenging the decisions or measures taken by various organs of the organization.

5. Other matters authorized by regulations or laws.

The organization of the Student Review Council shall be determined by other autonomous regulations.

Article 29 The Student Review Council is a task-oriented agency and shall convene a meeting within one week upon receiving a case.

The council shall exercise its powers through deliberation, and meetings shall be attended by over half of the commissioners.

For the interpretation specified in the first item, examination mentioned in the second item, and assessment specified in the third item of the preceding article, the agreement of over two-thirds of the attending commissioners is required.

For the evaluation specified in the fourth item or other matters authorized by regulations or autonomous regulations, unless otherwise specified in the autonomous regulations, decisions shall require the agreement of over half of the attending commissioners.

Article 30 Impeachment cases against the President, Vice President, or members of the Student Administrative Center shall result in dismissal on the seventh day following the date of approval by the Student Review Committee.

Disciplinary cases involving student councilors shall be executed starting from the day after approval by the Student Review Committee. Dismissal cases involving student councilors shall result in dismissal on the seventh day following the date of approval by the Student Review Committee.

Article 31 In the exercise of its powers, the Student Review Council may request relevant information from the Student Administration Center or the Student Council.

Chapter 7 Elections and Recalls

Article 32 Elections or recalls shall be conducted through ordinary, equal, direct, and anonymous single-ballot voting.

Article 33 The election of the president and vice president shall be held as a single election district for the entire school, and they shall be directly elected by all members.

In the case of a single candidate for the positions of president and vice president, the election shall adopt a consent-based system, where the candidate with more affirmative votes than negative votes is elected.

In the case of two or more sets of candidates for president and vice president, a relative majority vote shall be used, and the set of candidates with the highest number of votes shall be elected.

Article 34 In the event that no candidate is elected or there is a vacancy in the election of the President, Vice President, or student councilors, a by-election shall be held.

If, after a by-election, no candidate is elected for the President or Vice President, the new Student Council shall elect candidates from among its student councilors before the original term of the Student Council expires. However, if there are fewer than five student councilors, the vacancy shall be considered unfilled, and no by-election shall be held. The provisions of Article 15 shall not apply in this case.

If a vacancy remains after a by-election for student councilors, the total number of seats for that term shall be based on the number of seats filled after the by-election. However, the number of student councilors shall not be fewer than three.

If the vacancies in student councilors reach half of the total number of seats after the by-election, a second by-election shall be held. However, this requirement does not apply if the term is less than three months.

Article 35 The president and vice president may be recalled by the members from their respective election districts.

A recall vote shall be considered passed if the number of votes in favor exceeds the number of votes against.

When a recall proposal passes through the aforementioned process, the recall shall take effect seven days after the announcement of the voting results.

Article 36 The term of office for the president, vice president, and student council members shall begin on July 1 of each year and end on June 30 of the following year. The election of the president, vice president, and student council members shall be completed within thirty days before the expiration of their term each year.

Article 37 Election-related matters shall be handled by the Election Committee.

The Election Committee shall consist of five members, nominated by the President and approved by the Student Council.

Members of the Student Review Committee may not serve as Election Committee members, and Election Committee members may not register as candidates.

Article 38 The regulations for elections and recalls and the organization of the Election Committee shall be determined by other autonomous regulations.

Chapter 8 Finances

Article 39 The sources of funds for this organization are as follows:

1. Membership dues.

2. Voluntary donations.
3. Various subsidies.
4. Interest from deposits.
5. Other income from business operations.

Article 40 (Deleted).

Article 41 The collection or exemption of membership dues and their amounts shall be determined by the Student Council.

Matters related to the collection of membership dues shall be determined by other autonomous regulations.

Chapter 9 Supplementary Provisions

Article 42 Amendments to this constitution that conflict with the laws of our country are deemed invalid. Any regulations of this organization's autonomous laws or resolutions of the Student Council and the Student Executive Center that conflict with this constitution are also deemed invalid.

Article 43 The amendment procedure for this constitution is as follows:

If proposed by more than one-fourth of the student council members, with a two-thirds attendance, and approved by two-thirds of the attending student council members, it can be amended.

If decided by the Student Executive Center, it shall be submitted for review by the Student Council. If approved by two-thirds of the attending student council members, with two-thirds of the attending student council members agreeing, it can be amended.

Article 44 This constitution shall take effect from the date of its publication.

The provisions amended on April 6, 2022, shall take effect from the inauguration of the 30th Student Council.

The amendment to Article 19, made on November 30, 2022, shall take effect from the election of the 31st Student Council.

The amendment to Article 37, made on October 15, 2024, shall take effect from the inauguration of the 33rd Student Council.

Article 45 After the constitution is amended through the legal procedure, it shall be announced by the President and implemented, and a copy shall be sent to the Office of Student Affairs at Yuan Ze University for record.

Should there be any controversies or disputes regarding the contents of the above articles, they should always be referred to their Chinese version.