

ARTICLE I

NAME AND PURPOSE

Section I.

The name of this organization shall be the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Criminal Justice Society.

Section II.

The purpose of this organization shall be to offer members valuable pre-employment exposure to the many Criminal Justice fields through lectures, field trips, internships, and meetings. The "Society" shall also act as a student representative to the Criminal Justice Department and promote the principles of scholarship, community service, and social ideals.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Section I.

Membership in the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall be limited to qualified students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

Section II.

The Society shall comply with the regulations of the University and meet the Board of Trustee's policies regarding nondiscrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or national origin.

Section III.

Eligibility requirements for membership application shall include the following:

- ① Good standing with the University with a minimum GPA of 3.0
- ② Completion of membership forms
- ③ Payment of appropriate dues

Section IV.

The classification of members shall be as follows:

- ① Active - this category includes students of the University who have fulfilled all requirements of the University and the Society. These members are subject to dues and have the privilege of voting rights.
- ② Alumni - These are members who have graduated in good standing with both the University and the Society. They are not subject to dues and are not entitled to voting rights.
- ③ Honorary - This is an honorary title designated for individuals who have provided valuable assistance to the Society in some manner. This position and

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DUTIES OF OFFICERS

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The terms of elected officers shall be for one academic year (Fall, Spring, and Summer sessions) beginning two weeks before the end of the Spring semester.

Section II.

- ① President
- ① Vice President
- ① Secretary
- ① Treasurer
- ① Public Relations Director

The elected officers of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall consist of the following:

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ELECTED OFFICERS

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A motion for expulsion may be brought by any active member of the Society, but expulsion requires a unanimous vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.

- ① Failure to pay membership dues without proper application for inactive status.
- ① Violation of University grade (3.0 GPA) or conduct standards.
- ① Violation of the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.

Expulsion of a member may occur under any of the following conditions:

Membership expulsion.

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- ① Inactive - A member may request to be designated inactive only before the fourth week of a semester. Inactive status exempts the member from dues and denies the member voting rights.
 - ① Advisor - An advisor is a faculty member appointed by the Executive Board of the Society with a simple majority vote of the Executive Board being required. The purpose of the Advisor is to provide assistance and guidance to the Society. The Advisor is exempt from dues and holds no voting rights.
- title may be awarded an individual only after being approved by the vote of a simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.

Duties of the President:

- ⌚ Shall issue and enforce summons commanding any member of the Society to attend a meeting, shall preside over meetings, and proclaim the order of business at the meetings.
- ⌚ Shall act as the liaison officer to the University and as a representative of the Society.
- ⌚ Shall preserve files of all correspondence and contact with the University and other outside relations.
- ⌚ Shall make reports to the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC of all correspondence and other pertinent information relating to the Society.
- ⌚ Shall temporarily assume or appoint others to temporarily assume the responsibilities of other members of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC in their absence or when necessity dictates.

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Duties of the Vice President:

- ⌚ Shall assist the President in the execution of his/her duties and, in the absence of the President, shall perform such duties.
- ⌚ Shall be responsible for overseeing the administrative and organizational functions of the Society.
- ⌚ Shall preserve files on all administrative aspects of the Society.
- ⌚ Shall make frequent reports to the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC on all organizational matters relating to the Society.

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Duties of the Treasurer:

- ⌚ Shall promptly collect and deposit into the Society's account all dues and money owed to the Society.
- ⌚ Shall take charge of all Society monies and shall keep a true account of them.
- ⌚ Shall pay all bills of the Society and retain all receipts as property of the Society.
- ⌚ Shall seek Society approval for all expenditures exceeding 50 dollars and disburse such funds in accordance with the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ⌚ Shall make a complete financial report to the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC during all Executive Board meetings.

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Duties of the Secretary:

- ⌚ Shall keep written records of all meetings and businesses of the Society.
- ⌚ These records shall be made available to members upon request.
- ⌚ Shall submit a written report to the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC of all meetings and businesses during each Executive Board meeting.

ELECTIONS

ARTICLE V

Section I.

Eligibility:

- ① A candidate must be in good standing with the University (maintenance of minimum 3.0 GPA) and be an active member of the Society.
- ② Must submit a candidate nomination form by the deadline for submission of such form as determined by a majority vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC or be "written in" on the ballot on the day voting takes place.
- ③ To be eligible for the position of President, a candidate must have been an active Society member for the full academic year in which the election takes place.

Section II.

Nominations:

- ① A nomination form approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC must be completed and submitted to the Secretary of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC prior to the deadline for submission of such form as determined by a majority vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ② The approved nomination form requires the signature of two active members of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC other than the individual seeking nomination. One signature shall serve to recommend nomination of the individual and the second shall serve to second such nomination.
- ③ The approved nomination form shall also require personal information on the candidates as determined to an extent agreed upon by the vote of a simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ④ No nominee shall be compelled to run for office against that individual's wishes. The Secretary of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall make known to all individual's nominated that they have been nominated.

Section III.

The ballot:

- ① An official ballot shall be approved by a simple majority vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC prior to the holding of general elections.
- ② No individuals qualified for the office sought and whom has been properly nominated shall be excluded from the official ballot except by their own request.
- ③ One ballot shall be provided for each active member of the Society and those active members shall be required to provide identification as such upon request in order to receive a ballot.
- ④ Ballots shall be distributed to active Society members at both a general meeting set by a majority vote of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC and at the office of the Criminal Justice Department of UIC.
- ⑤ All official ballots shall provide spaces for "write in" candidates for all positions.

- ⌚ Attached to each ballot shall be an official form in which candidates may outline their qualifications and positions. This form shall be approved by the vote of a simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.

Section IV.

Voting:

- ⌚ Any active member of the Society is eligible to vote in the general election.
- ⌚ Voting members are required to submit place their ballots in a sealed ballot box which shall be located in the office of the Criminal Justice Department of UIC. The key to the sealed ballot box shall be given to the Society's Faculty Advisor prior to the general election.
- ⌚ Ballots shall be accepted only for a period of time determined by the vote of a simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ⌚ Voting shall be by secret ballot, but a voter may be required to provide identification when submitting a ballot to ensure that each active member votes only once.

Section V.

Results:

- ⌚ Votes shall be counted by the Society's Faculty Advisor. Any member who wishes to witness the counting of votes must arrange to do so with the Society's Faculty Advisor prior to the counting.
- ⌚ To win an office a candidate need only receive a simple majority of all votes cast for that office.
- ⌚ Should a tie occur in the race for an office, a runoff election shall be held between the two candidates receiving the most votes for their respective office. The runoff election shall be held in accordance with the same rules governing the general election with the exception of the nomination process which shall be excluded from the process of the runoff election.

Section VI.

Impeachment of Elected Officers:

Impeachment of an elected officer may occur for any of the following reasons.

- ⌚ Violation of the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ⌚ Malfeasance of office, which shall be defined as failure to perform the functions of office as outlined in the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC or the abuse of office for personal, political, or social gain.

Section VII.

Motions to impeach:

- ⌚ A motion to impeach may be brought by any active member of the Society.
- ⌚ The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall schedule and publicize and impeachment hearing to be attended by the general membership of the Society. The time and location of which shall be approved by the vote of a

- ⑦ simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC, in which the membership shall hear charges brought against the Elected Officer recommended for impeachment.
- ⑦ The Elected Officer recommended for impeachment shall be allowed to answer to all charges brought against them and to call witnesses in their defense.
- ⑦ The motion to impeach shall be put to a vote of all active members of the Society present at the hearing for impeachment.
- ⑦ A 2/3 majority vote of all society members present at the impeachment hearing shall be required to affect the impeachment of an Elected Officer.

ARTICLE VI

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SOCIETY OF UIC

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The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall consist of:

- ⑦ President
- ⑦ Vice President
- ⑦ Secretary
- ⑦ Treasurer
- ⑦ Public Relations Director

Section II.

- ⑦ The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall determine, by the vote of a simple majority of its members, the schedule of its meetings.
- ⑦ The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall meet no less than once a month.
- ⑦ The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall exercise all powers vested in it by the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ⑦ The Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall determine the schedule of all Society meetings and events by the vote of a simple majority of its members.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SOCIETY OF UIC

Section I.

Amendments:

- ⑦ Amendments to the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC may be proposed by any active member of the Society.
- ⑦ All motions for Constitutional amendment shall be made only at a meeting of the general membership of the Society.

- ⌚ Should a member desire to submit a motion for Constitutional amendment, the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC shall be compelled to schedule and publicize a hearing for amendment, the scheduling of which shall be determined by the vote of a simple majority of the Executive Board of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.
- ⌚ A 2/3 majority vote of all active members present at the Hearing For Amendment is required to affect amendment of the Constitution of the Criminal Justice Society of UIC.

