

*Charter of the North Carolina State University
Delta Upsilon Alumni Association*

**Article I
Purpose**

In grateful acknowledgement of how our relationship with Delta Upsilon and its brotherhood has enriched our lives, the North Carolina State Delta Upsilon Alumni Association is dedicated to making DU membership a rewarding, lifelong affiliation and preserving the DU experience at N.C. State for future generations of principled men.

**Article II
Scope**

1. **“Alumni Chapter.”** The N.C. State Delta Upsilon Alumni Association is an unincorporated association of alumni members. It constitutes our alumni chapter in accordance with Delta Upsilon International’s Constitution and By-Laws.
2. **Chapter Excellence.** An active alumni chapter is crucial to the success of our undergraduates. Therefore, the N.C. State Delta Upsilon Alumni Association is prepared to provide advice and guidance related to all aspects of chapter operations. DU International’s Chapter Excellence Plan is the standard by which the undergraduate chapter’s success is measured.
3. **Undergraduate Financial Review.** Oversight of undergraduate chapter finances is a shared responsibility with the North Carolina State University Alumni of Delta Upsilon, Inc. (Housing Corporation). This joint responsibility is appropriate since competent management of undergraduate finances is critical to effectively managing the fraternity’s housing needs.
4. **Events.** The Alumni Association plans and carries out social events for members and their families. The itinerary at one event per year will include the Alumni Association Annual Meeting. In conjunction with the undergraduate chapter, the Association conducts social and philanthropic events.
5. **Housing.** The Association assists the Housing Corporation in rallying alumni participation in events intended to raise money for or make physical improvements to facilities owned or leased by the fraternity. All other housing issues; such as: related finances, insurance, resident agreements, taxes, repairs, and improvements are the exclusive purview of the Housing Corporation.

Article III Membership

Membership in the N.C. State DU Alumni Association is as provided for in Article II of Delta Upsilon International's Constitution.

Article IV Officers

1. Elected officers of the Alumni Association are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers comprise the Alumni Association Executive Board. The Executive Board selects one of its four members to serve as Trustee.
2. **Terms.** Elected officers serve terms of two years. Terms of all officers expire the same year. Officers will hold office until their successors are duly elected.
3. **Elections.** Election of officers is held every two years at the Alumni Association Annual Meeting. This meeting is held in conjunction with the Housing Corporation's Annual Meeting. Voting will be accomplished via paper ballot.
4. **Vacancies.** In the case of President, if a vacancy occurs, the Vice-President will serve as President for the remainder of the term. The Executive Board will choose an association member to serve the remainder of any other officer's term.
5. **Responsibilities.** General responsibilities for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee are found in DU International's The Cornerstone: Delta Upsilon's Guide to College and Beyond. In addition:
 - a. The President is primarily concerned with alumni support of the undergraduate chapter. He is chairman of the Chapter Advisory Board. He presides over meetings of the Alumni Association and Executive Board.
 - b. The Vice-President's primary responsibility is for operation of the Alumni Association. He assists the President in carrying out his responsibilities and acts on his behalf in the President's absence.
 - c. The Secretary is the director of communications for the Alumni Association. He maintains the list of "alumni members" and their contact information. He is the primary contact for the alumni portion of the undergraduate chapter's web site. The Secretary gives members ample notification of upcoming annual meetings and elections.
 - d. The Treasurer reports status of Association finances to the membership at the annual meeting. He is chairman of the Financial Review Board. The Alumni Association Treasurer cannot concurrently serve as Housing Corporation Treasurer.

Article V Committees

The following permanent committees are established. The Executive Board may establish temporary committees for specific, short-term purposes.

1. **Chapter Advisory Board.** Chaired by the Association President, this committee advises, counsels, supports, and encourages the undergraduate chapter executive council. The committee is composed of members chosen by the chairman. The Association President advises the undergraduate President. One alumnus will be chosen to advise the Vice-President for Recruitment. Other Chapter Advisory Board members are chosen to advise undergraduate executive council members on an “as needed” basis.
2. **Alumni Financial Review Board.** This board consists of the Alumni Association Treasurer and Housing Corporation Treasurer. At least once each Fall and Spring Semesters, it will thoroughly review undergraduate financial records and practices with the Undergraduate Chapter Treasurer.

Article VI Finances

1. Association funds are raised through contributions and fundraising efforts at Association functions. Funds are used to cover various Association expenses including (but not limited to) administration, scholarships, travel expenses and registration for International Fraternity events, Association-sponsored events, and awards.
2. To honor academic achievement in our undergraduate chapter, the Association will reimburse any undergraduate member the fee for initiation into one honor society or honor fraternity. Any brother in good standing is eligible for this grant once during his college career. Maximum reimbursement is \$100.00.
3. No dues are collected from Alumni Association members.
4. The Association President and Treasurer are custodians of Association money. The “Scope” as described in this Charter is used to determine which expenditures are justified. All expenditures require approval of both officers. This approval may be via email or telephone but must take place (and be documented) before money is spent.

Article VII Awards

1. One permanent award is presented by the Alumni Association. This award honors **Ronald W. Coble**'s extraordinary contributions to the North Carolina State Chapter of Delta Upsilon.

a. The **Ronald W. Coble Award** is presented to an exceptional alumni member for outstanding, sustained, and far-reaching support of the N.C. State Chapter.

b. Ron Coble was initiated into Delta Upsilon while at Purdue in 1954. He began the work of establishing a chapter at N.C. State in 1975. A 1977 charter member, Ron has tirelessly supported every aspect of our chapter ever since. He was a member of the Alumni Board of Directors for 14 years, serving most of that time as President.

c. The award consists of a plaque presented to the recipient as well as an inscription on a perpetual plaque which resides in the chapter house.

d. The Ronald W. Coble Award is not an annual award. It is presented whenever an exceptionally deserving member is identified but not more frequently than once a year. The recipient is selected by the Alumni Association Executive Board.

2. The Alumni Association may present other awards to deserving individuals as it sees fit.

Article VIII Amendments

This Charter may be amended, at the recommendation of the Executive Board, by a two thirds majority vote at a regularly scheduled Alumni Association Annual Meeting.

Article IX Earlier Charters or By-Laws

All Association Charters or By-Laws existing prior to the below signing date are hereby replaced by this Charter of the North Carolina State University Delta Upsilon Alumni Association.

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