Constitution and Bylaws of Jewish Psychology Student Association at Nova Southeastern University

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of this organization will be Jewish Psychology Student Association.

ARTICLE II
Purpose

The purpose of JPSA is to promote Jewish life on campus through educational and cultural activities in conjunction with the Hillel of Broward and Palm Beach, to create a Jewish community and fulfill the diverse needs of the Jewish student population at Nova, to serve as an advocate for Israel both on campus and in the community, and to strive to create a welcoming environment for students and faculty of all faiths, races, and genders.

ARTICLE III
Membership

A. Membership in this organization shall be open to students and/or faculty of Nova who express a genuine and respectful interest in the Jewish faith and/or culture, including students from the satellite centers.

B. The club shall not discriminate against any student on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, creed, age, disability, marital status, political opinions or affiliations or veteran status.

C. There are no dues required to be a member of this organization.

D. Membership allows one to vote and join a committee. Membership will be renewed by registration at the beginning of each school year.

ARTICLE IV
Community Responsibilities

All members recognize that they are part of the Nova Southeastern University community and that as such, they are subject to all College Rules and procedures and regulations set forth in the current student handbook, as well as all applicable national, state and city laws. As students, members realize that they represent the College at any time they are involved in official organization functions on or off campus, and agree to do so in a responsible manner. Furthermore, all members stress that the organization does not and will not practice hazing of any kind.

ARTICLE V
Funding

The organization will have a treasurer designated as the party responsible for finances. All monies raised through club allocations, dues, donations, or fundraisers are acknowledged as Nova Southeastern University funds and will be maintained in a NSU
agency account (Fund 6). No monies associated with this organization will be held in accounts outside the college.

ARTICLE VI
Officers

The officers of this organization shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations Coordinator and SGA Representative.

ARTICLE VII
Elections

Section 1: Members - Members in good standing shall compromise the electorate. Each member of the electorate shall be entitled to vote.

Section 2: Elections shall be held every Spring semester in April.

Section 3: Qualifications for Office - All officers must be registered and enrolled students in good academic standing (2.0 minimum cumulative GPA) during the entire term of office and at time of election. Incoming freshmen (those who not have previously attended a post-secondary institution or have no existing Nova Southeastern University grade point average) shall be exempt from the following qualifications requirements during the first academic semester in office or until a cumulative NSU grade point average has been established.

ARTICLE VIII
Duties of Officers

Section 1: Duties and Responsibilities of the President:
  a. Be the chief executive of the organization
  b. Preside over meetings of the organization
  c. Serve as the liaison between the organization and the administrative offices
  d. Appoint the presidential cabinet, committees or commissions that are deemed necessary
  e. Call special meetings of the organization
  f. Meet (weekly/bi-weekly) with advisor
  g. Take care that this constitution and the laws of the student body are faithfully executed.
  h. Perform any administrative power or duty not provided for in this constitution.

Section 2: Duties and Responsibilities of the Vice President:
  a. Exercise presidential duties in absence of the president
  b. Assume presidential office upon vacancy
  c. Appoint staff aides as deemed necessary
  d. Coordinate completion of event registration forms and program report forms
  e. Meet monthly with advisor
Section 3: Duties and Responsibilities of the Treasurer:
   a. Keep complete and accurate account of all organization funds
   b. Sign requisitions for organization funds
   c. Prepare an annual budget request packet with the approval of the organization’s membership
   d. Report to the President

Section 4: Duties and Responsibilities of the Secretary:
   a. Take minutes at organization meetings
   b. Maintain complete and accurate records of all organization meetings
   c. Report to the President

Section 5: Duties and Responsibilities of the Public Relations Coordinator:
   a. Handle of all social media updates
   b. Reach out to other organizations for collaboration on events
   c. Communicate to the community about the social events and volunteer opportunities
   d. Report to the President

Section 6: Duties and Responsibilities of the SGA Representative
   a. Represent the club at all SGA meetings
   b. Communicate SGA business to members
   c. Report to the President

ARTICLE IX
Vacancy of Office

Section 1: President - In the event that the president position becomes vacant, such vacancy shall be filed by the succession of the Vice-President.

Section 2: In the event that the positions of the Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Relations Coordinator or SGA Representative become vacant, the president appoints new officer and the members will need to approve.

ARTICLE X
Impeachment

Section 1: Person who may be impeached - The organization’s President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasure, Public Relations Coordinator and SGA Representative may be impeached for misfeasance, malfeasance, nonfeasance, abuse of power, or conviction of a criminal offense while in office.

Section 2: Filing the impeachment - resolution - The organization shall provide in its rules of procedures the definition of the filing date of an impeachment resolution,
provided that one member of the organization must co-file the impeachment resolution and that the affected person must receive a true copy of the impeachment resolution.

Section 3: Impeachment Body - The members of the organization will make up the body, which will hear the impeachment proceedings. The organization will appoint a chair that shall preside over the impeachment body. A two-thirds vote of the membership of the impeachment body shall be required in order to impeach from this point the body must vote to convict the impeached officer.

Section 4: Effect of conviction - Judgment of conviction in cases of impeachment shall remove the officer.

ARTICLE XI
Amendments

Section 1: After deliberation of proposed amendments it shall be tabled until the next meetings, at which time it will be brought up for vote. A 2/3 majority will be required to pass amendments.

Section 2: Any amendments will be added following Article XII. If there is a change of earlier articles, they will supersede the previous conditions. There is no need to continually change the document.

ARTICLE XII
Affiliations

Section 1: Jewish Psychology Student Association is affiliated with Hillel of Broward and Palm Beach, but will not pay any dues.

ARTICLE XIII
Anti-Hazing

Section 1: Anti Hazing: Nova Southeastern University prohibits any acts of hazing on or off the campus by individual students, student groups or organizations, or any other individuals or groups associated with the college.

Consistent with Florida Statutes 1006.63, the College defines hazing as any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with any organization operating under the sanction of Broward Community College. Such terms includes, but are not limited to, any brutality of a physical nature, such as whipping; beating; branding; forced calisthenics; exposure to the elements; forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug, or other substance; or any other forced physical activity which could adversely affect the physical health or safety of the individual, and shall include any activity which would subject the individual to extreme mental stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which could result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity which could
adversely affect the mental health or dignity of the individual. Any activity as described above upon which the initiation or admission into or affiliation with a community college organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be forced activity, the willingness of an individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.

The Vice President for Student Affairs shall be charged with the enforcement and distribution of the College’s policy banning hazing.

ARTICLE XIII
Miscellaneous

Section 1: Hierarchy of Law - The provisions of this constitution are governed by and subordinate to the constitution and laws of the State of Florida as well as the policies of the Board of Trustees, and Nova Southeastern University.