

**Sigma Lambda Beta  
International Fraternity Inc.  
Rho Beta Chapter Constitution**

**I. NAME**

The Official name of this organization shall be Sigma Lambda Beta also recognized as *Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc.*

**II. PURPOSE**

To promote to the fullest the advancement of academic achievement and to foster a working relationship within the community. To further the recognition of cultural diversity and leadership within our communities and to unite male students on the WSU campus.

**III. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT**

- \* *Sigma Lambda Beta* will not discriminate on basis of beliefs, nationality, age, disability, or sexual orientation.
- \* Must be full-time student (12 credit hours) at Wichita State University
- \* Must be in good academic standing with a 2.75/4.0 GPA or higher, (unless in survival mode)
- \* No first semester incoming freshman are allowed to join the organization.

**IV. MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

***Active Alumni***

- Graduated from WSU or a four-year institute.
- \* Member must pay dues.

***Active undergrad***

- \* Be enrolled in at-least 3 credit hours at Wichita State University.
  - \* Attend weekly meetings, required events (specified beginning of each semester), pay dues and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher, maintain the minimum amount of points from Rho Beta Standards, and submit Grade Report to Academic Advisor.
  - \* Pay \$135 per semester. (\$127.50-National, \$5.00-MGC, \$5.00-FSL-annual)
- (Active members, *under-grad or alumni* are entitled to all rights of chapter participation and benefits).

***Inactive undergrad***

- \*Inactive undergrads must still pay dues and they cannot participate in any events whatsoever (social, new member education). Members who wish to go inactive must notify chapter two weeks before the semester begins.

**V. LOCAL DUES & FINES**

All active undergrads must comply with local fines if late. Local Fines are subject to change on a semester basis.

**VI. OFFICERS**

***Eligibility***

- Any active member of Sigma Lambda Beta's eligible to run for an executive office term. If requirements above are met.

***Executive office term***

- All terms shall be for one full year. Although elections will be held in the month of May. Officers assume their positions immediately following elections.

### ***Procedures for Elections***

- Nominations shall be initiated from the floor, and elections done by ballot. The first person receiving majority vote for each office shall be elected. Only one office will be voted on at the time. So that persons not selected for one office may be nominated for subsequent offices.

### ***Removal of Office***

- Any officer may be removed from office by minimum of a 2/3 vote of the general membership. The officer in question shall have the right to be heard before a vote is taken within the general membership, and our advisor must be present.

### ***Officer Vacancies***

- Any vacancy that may occur in an office shall be temporarily filled by an interim Executive board member, this until another qualified active member is voted in.

### ***All Officers***

- Shall pick one member of the general membership to train in his position in case of absence for an official Sigma Lambda Beta function.

## **I. President**

Shall:

- A. Act as Chief Executive officer and spokesperson of Sigma Lambda Beta.
- B. Preside over all regular, special and executive board meetings.
- C. Maintain orderly, weekly meetings.
- D. Preside over all disciplinary matters.

## **II. Vice President**

Shall:

- A. Assume the duties of the President, should the office become vacant or in the absence of the President.
- B. Oversee the work of the academics, community service, and social chairpersons.
- C. Administer all matters related to our philanthropies: Voto Latino, Testicular Cancer Awareness, and Victor Correa CPR Awareness Day.

## **III. Secretary**

Shall:

- A. Perform duties of the Vice President in his absence.
- B. Prepare agendas with the President
- C. Record minutes of meetings

- D. Keep record of active and inactive members at meetings and functions.
- E. Collaborate with President and other officers to apply for Greek Awards, Regional and National Awards, and SLB standards.
- F. Keep track of Rho Beta Standards
- G. Work with advisor and President in matters of discipline related to chapter standards.
- H. Work to monitor the strategic goals the Executive Committee lays out at the start of the year to ensure successful and timely completion. This includes monitoring academic, community service, philanthropic, recruitment, and chapter award goals.

#### **IV. Treasurer**

Shall:

- A. Handle all official Sigma Lambda Beta financial matters.
- B. Keep up-to-date financial records.
- C. Be permitted to approve expenditures of Sigma Lambda Beta funds up to \$50.00. For expenditures between \$50.00 and \$100.00, treasurer must have prior approval from the executive board, for any expenditure more than \$100.00 will be voted on by active members of Sigma Lambda Beta, (approval by majority vote, only)

#### **V. Membership Educator**

Shall:

- A. Receive, collect and preserve in the Fraternity archives material pertaining to the Fraternity's history, heritage and traditions.

#### **VI. Academic Chair**

Shall:

- A. Be a resource for on campus academic assistance.
- B. Coordinate study hours, collect transcripts and schedules each semester from all members.
- C. Be in charge of all educational programs and maintain test files.
- D. Coordinate a minimum of one study session every two weeks.
- E. Reach out and help potential recruits that currently do not meet our academic standards.
- F. Report to Vice-president

#### **VII. Social and Marketing Committee**

Shall:

- A. Coordinate all social activities.
- B. Maintain an accurate calendar of events for Sigma Lambda Beta.
- C. Work to foster brotherhood within the chapter and Greek Unity between our chapter and all other Greek councils
- D. Report to Vice-president

### VIII. Community Service and Fundraising Committee

Shall:

- A. Coordinate all community service events and mentoring programs.
  - B. Keep in contact with community leaders to come speak at meetings.
  - C. Maintain records of community service hours of all members.
  - D. Ensure the chapter averages 20 hours of community service per member.
  - E. Report to Vice-president
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- A. Coordinate with treasurer regarding different fundraising activities.
  - B. Coordinate with Vice President regarding any Philanthropy events.
  - C. Be main point of contact for any chapter fundraisers.

### IX. Performance Committee

Shall:

- A. Host a minimum of two practice sessions a month
- B. Tasked with ensuring all new members learn to stroll

### VII. Rho Beta Standards

The Rho Beta Standards shall ensure the chapter embodies its high principles of Brotherhood, Community Service, Cultural Awareness, and Scholarship. The standards will serve as an accountability mechanism and will be an integral part in achieving the chapter's strategic goals. Furthermore, it will standardize a system of incentives for those brothers that go above and beyond in their work within the chapter and the community.

Attend other organizations' events and/or our own	1 point
Recruit a new member that completes the entire process, probate too	3 points
Create and carry out a creative, learning lesson during sessions	0.5 point
Community service hours (3 hours, once 20 is complete)	1 point
Study sessions (Will acquire point(s) based on where you fall under by the semester's end)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A study session is defined as studying with another brother for a min. of 1 hour. Each brother must sign off on the other's to validate that at least one hour was spent studying.</li> <li>● 1-4 study sessions                      1 point</li> <li>● 4-8 study sessions                      2 points</li> <li>● 8-12 study sessions                      3 points</li> </ul>	

• 12-15 study sessions	4 points	
• 15+ study sessions	5 points	
Attend MGC workshop		2 points
Participate in yard show		2 points
Participate in step show		5 points
Participate in stroll for tomorrow		3 points
Having a semesterly 3.0-3.49 GPA		2 points
Having a semesterly 3.5 or higher GPA		5 points

Along with brothers having the chance to earn points as stated above. There are also points that can be deducted by failing to do the following:

\*A pre-approved brother is considered anyone who has a class or work conflict with chapter meetings.

Failure to attend chapter meeting (without valid excuse)	2-point deduction
Failure to attend a required event	10-point deduction
Submit midterm grade report (on-time)	5-point deduction

\*An absence will be excused if a 24-hour warning is given and the excuse is valid

Failure to give 24-hour notification of absence	2-point deduction
Failure to do 20 hours of community service.	5-point deduction

If a brother is able to maintain a 15-point minimum throughout the semester then they will be considered to be a delegate for regional summits and regional banquets.

If a brother is able to maintain a 20-point minimum throughout the academic year then they will be considered to be a delegate for Betacon or the Summer Leadership Institute.

If a brother is to fall below a 20-point minimum during any given academic semester, then you will need to file an appeal to the Executive Board, if the appeal is denied the following semester they will not be allowed to participate or attend the following:

- Socials
- Vote for chapter decisions
- Be part of the new member education process

## **VII. Non-Hazing Statement**

This organization will not conspire to engage in hazing, or commit any act which endangers the health or safety of a person, or subject him or her to onerous, degrading or hazardous tasks, for the purpose of admission into, or affiliation with any Organization. Said acts are considered hazing regardless of an individual's willingness to participate in the activity. This organization is in accordance with all university policies regarding hazing, including the Wichita State University Student Code of Conduct and the Kansas Hazing Law Statute 21-3434.

This Organization and its members agree to adhere to city/state/national laws and University policies