

# Golf Club Constitution

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## ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The official title of this organization is Golf Club. This organization will utilize the acronym of FCG in all publicly materials and correspondence. Golf Club is affiliated with National Collegiate Club Golf Association (NCCGA) operation in Boston, Massachusetts. The website for National Collegiate Club Golf Association is [nccga.org](http://nccga.org).

## ARTICLE II. PURPOSE STATEMENT

- The purpose of Golf Club is to provide a welcoming environment for those seeking to pursue the game of golf on a casual or competitive level.
- For those who have little or no experience, the Golf Club will offer help on basic fundamentals using the instructional material and personal training with our more experienced golfers.
- For more experienced golfers, the club will allow for improvement through competition amongst other golfers of similar skill levels
- Golf Club will be a part of National Collegiate Club Golf Association (NCCGA) and will compete in two regional tournaments and one national championship each semester

## ARTICLE III. COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Upon approval by the Department of Student Activities and Involvement, Golf Club shall be a registered student organization at the University of Florida. Golf Club shall comply with all local, state and federal laws, as well as all University of Florida regulations, policies, and procedures. Such compliance includes but is not limited to the University's regulations related to Non-Discrimination, Sexual Harassment (including sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking), Hazing, Commercial Activity, and Student Leader Eligibility.

## ARTICLE III. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

### Section A. Non-Discrimination

Golf Club agrees that it will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, national origin, political opinions or affiliations, genetic information and veteran status as protected under the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act.

### Section B. Sexual Harassment

Golf Club agrees that it will not engage in any activity that is unwelcome conduct of sexual nature that creates a hostile environment. Behaviors that could create a hostile environment include sexual harassment (which could include inappropriate sexual comments), sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking.

### Section C. Hazing

Golf Club agrees that it will not initiate, support, or encourage any events or situations that recklessly, by design, or intentionally endanger the mental or physical health or safety of a student for any purpose including but not limited to initiation or admission into or affiliation with any student group or organization.

### Section D. Responsibility to Report

If this organization becomes aware of any such conduct described in this article, Golf Club will report it immediately to Student Activities and Involvement, the Director of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, or the University's Title IX Coordinator.

## ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in this organization is open to all enrolled students at the University of Florida. Non-enrolled students, spouses, faculty, and staff may be associate members; however, they may not vote or hold office. All members and associate members are free to leave and disassociate without fear of retribution, retaliation, or harassment.

## ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section A: The elected officers of Golf Club shall be President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Historian, Recruitment Chair, and Director of Player Relations.

Part 1: The President shall prepare agenda and preside at all meetings of the organization and shall receive all project updates and work with other executive board members in fulfilling duties.

Part 2: The Vice-President shall serve as an aide to the President and shall perform the duties of the President in her/his absence or inability to serve. Also, shall work with the President to gain approval for club-sponsored events, including but not limited to charity events and fundraising.

Part 3: The Treasurer shall receive all monies of Golf Club; shall keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures; shall pay out local funds in accordance with the approved budget as authorized by the organization. The Treasurer shall present financial statement at every meeting of Golf Club and at other times when requested by the President or Vice-President.

Part 4: The Historian shall be responsible for all pictures taken of Golf Club; shall work with the executive board to use pictures to promote membership and fundraising.

Part 5: The Recruitment Chair shall be responsible for recruiting new players to Golf Club; shall work with the executive board to organize recruitment events.

Part 6: The Director of Public Relations will be responsible for all marketing of Golf Club. The Director of Public Relations will use social media outlets to increase awareness of Golf Club.

Section B: Officers shall assume their official duties at the close of the last general meeting of the year and shall serve for a term of one academic year and/or their successors are elected/appointed.

Section C: Any officer of Golf Club may be removed from office through the following process:

Part 1: A written request by at least three club members of the organization shall be submitted to either the President, Vice-President, or Treasurer. Written notification shall be sent to the officer in question asking that officer present at the next meeting and prepared to respond to the removal request.

Part 2: A two-thirds majority vote of members present is necessary to remove the officer.

Part 3: In the event of the removal of an officer, a special provision will be granted to the remaining officers to appoint an interim replacement until an election may be held.

Section D: If an officer of Golf Club steps down from office, the following procedure will be followed:

Part 1: In the event that an officer steps down from office, a special provision will be granted to the remaining officers to appoint an interim replacement until an election may be held.

Part 2: An election will be held within two weeks after the officer steps down to appoint a new officer to the position.

Part 3: The new officer will serve for the remaining of the term.

## ARTICLE VII. ELECTIONS

Nominations for all officers will take place annually from the members at the end of the academic year. Any member may nominate any other club member, including himself or herself. Nominations may also be made during the election meeting prior to closing of nominations. All candidates are allowed to make speeches. Voting will occur by secret ballot and a simple majority vote is required to elect an officer. If there are more than two candidates running and no candidate receives majority vote, there shall be a run-off vote between the top two recipients at the next general meeting. No person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office. Elections take place in the last week of every March to allow for turnover between the old and new board.

## ARTICLE VIII. STUDENT ORGANIZATION ADVISOR

The student organization advisor shall serve as a resource person and provide advisory support for the officers and members of the organization. The student organization advisor should attend executive and general meetings; however, the student organization advisor may not vote in any Golf Club elections. The student organization advisor shall be nominated by the officers and confirmed by a majority vote of the members. The student organization advisor will serve a term of one (1) academic year. In the event that the faculty advisor is unable to continue in their position, officers may nominate a replacement at any time, to be confirmed by a majority vote of the members.

## ARTICLE IX. FINANCE

Golf Club will not have membership dues; however, will raise funds through both fundraisers and personal fundraising. Fundraisers will include a golf tournament and shirt sales and will be conducted and facilitated by club members. Personal fundraising is optional and will include club members individually fundraising in their own creative ways. Money raised will be used for club events, tournament fees, and travel expenses. Golf Club will also apply for funding from Student Government. Members will be required to cover costs such as travel and shirts if there is not ample funding.

## ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION

In the event this organization dissolves, all monies left in the treasury, after outstanding debts and claims have been paid, shall be donated to First Tee Program of Ocala.

## ARTICLE XX. AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Amendments to this constitution may be made at any regular meeting of Golf Club provided notice of the amendment was given one week prior to a vote. Amendments require a two-thirds vote of the voting member in attendance at the meeting, and are subject to final approval by the Department of Student Activities and Involvement