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1. Graduate Council shall adopt By-Laws of its own by a two-thirds vote.
2. Graduate Council may amend the By-Laws by a three-fifths majority of votes cast.

Article I: THE GRADUATE COUNCIL AND MEMBERSHIP

1. For purposes of these By-Laws, a Graduate Student is a student who is enrolled in a degree- or non-degree-seeking graduate program and is a member of the Student Association.
2. All Graduate Students shall have the right to speak in front of the Council and to participate in Graduate Council (GC) meetings, including those of its committees.
3. Voting membership on the Council shall be divided among each of the University's Graduate Divisions and Professional Schools. Seats shall be allocated according to enrollment figures, provided by the Office of the Registrar, for the previous Autumn Quarter for each division/school.
   a. Seats in the Graduate Council shall be apportioned to the various graduate divisions according to the following formula:
      i. All 12 divisions shall have at least two seats.
      ii. Every 500 students enrolled in a division and paying a student life fee shall add one seat to that division's representation. For example, a division with 501 students shall have three seats; a division with 1,001 students shall have four.
      iii. In the event that a division has one or more vacancies in its apportioned seats, the President or Co-Presidents may designate, without objection of the
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      i. The incoming President shall solicit applications for the Vice President positions. The Council shall confirm one applicant for each position during Council, one seated rep from that division to serve as proxy to the vacant seat.
   b. All voting members must be Graduate Students.
   c. At no time shall a student who is eligible to sit on College Council be eligible to vote on or for GC.

4. Voting Members shall have the following responsibilities:
   a. Attending GC meetings.
   b. Voting conscientiously on issues reflecting the interests of one’s constituents.
   c. Disseminating information to students in one’s respective Division or School.
   d. Being an active member of at least one GC Committees.
   e. Representing the graduate student community by bringing graduate concerns to the attention of the Council.

5. Proxies and Vacancies
   a. A Voting Member may assign their vote to a proxy from within their Division or School by notifying the President or Co-Presidents prior to the meeting.
   b. If a member voluntarily vacates their seat or fails to assign a proxy to or attend two consecutive meetings, the seat shall be considered vacant. The respective Divisional or School Council shall be notified and responsible for filling the seat.
   c. If no Graduate Student from a Division or School is present at a meeting and able and willing to serve as a Voting Member or proxy, the President or Co-Presidents may designate a Graduate Student from a different Division or School to serve as a proxy at that meeting for the absent Division or School. If one or more Graduate Students are present from a Division or School for which an insufficient number of proxies has been assigned, and are able and willing to serve as a proxy, the Chair or Co-Chair must designate the proxy or proxies from among those students. At no

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      i. The incoming President shall solicit applications for the Vice President positions. The Council shall confirm one applicant for each position during point may Graduate Students from one Division or School constitute a majority of the Voting Members and proxies at a meeting.

6. Graduate Council shall be governed accordingly under Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, except when they conflict with these By-Laws.

7. The right of Graduate Students to speak before the Council shall not be construed so as to include the right to make motions, object to motions on the floor of the Council, vote on motions in front of the Council, or impede the Council in its business.

Article II: COUNCIL MEETINGS

1. The Purpose of the Council shall be to legislate for the betterment of the graduate student body of the University of Chicago and bring the concerns of individual constituencies to the attention of the University as well as to foster inter-division programming.
2. Each voting member of the Council shall have one vote on all official matters in GC.
3. Quorum, required to conduct official business, shall be at least one half (1/2) of the voting members of GC or proxies.
4. There shall be no fewer than four scheduled (4) GC meetings each Autumn, Winter, and Spring Quarter. The President or Co-Presidents shall convene extraordinary meetings of the GC at the will of the President or Co-Presidents, or upon the petition to the President or Co-Presidents of seven (7) members of GC.
5. The Council shall have the power to elect the elected Officers of the Council. The Officers must include a President or Co-Presidents.
6. The Council shall have the power to approve appointments by the President or Co-Presidents of the Vice Presidents. Vice Presidents act as chairs of the standing and ad-hoc committees.
7. The Council shall have nine Standing Committees:
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   i. The incoming President shall solicit applications for the Vice President positions. The Council shall confirm one applicant for each position during the annual GC elections. The positions shall be:
      a. Membership and Internal Affairs,
      b. Marketing and Communications,
      c. Academic and Professional Fund,
      d. Culture, Social, and Wellness Fund,
      e. Research, Personal Development, and Travel Fund,
      f. Social Programming and Events Committee,
      g. Community Initiatives Committee,
      h. Health and Wellness Committee,
      i. Diversity and Inclusion Committee, and

8. GC shall administer a portion of Student Services Fee monies. The President or Co-Presidents of GC shall allocate these funds in consultation with the Vice Presidents to the Committees of the Council. The allocation must be transparently revealed to the Council at the first meeting of Autumn Quarter. The Council may choose to veto the proposed allocation by a three-fifths vote. If the original allocation is vetoed, the President or Co-Presidents must propose a new allocation in consultation with all voting members of the Council by the second meeting of Autumn Quarter. The President or Co-Presidents of the Council may reallocate funds at any time during the academic year, but such reallocations must be ratified by a majority vote of the Council. If Council funding is increased or decreased at any point during the academic year, the President or Co-Presidents must bring a new allocation proposal to the Council by the next GC meeting, and that proposal must be ratified by a majority vote of the Council. Funds for events open to only Graduate Students shall take priority over campus-wide events, to ensure optimal return on activity fee monies paid by students.
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      i. The incoming President shall solicit applications for the Vice President positions. The Council shall confirm one applicant for each position during the election process.
   a. Shall work with divisional representatives to ensure they have election codes and processes that are compliant with these By-Laws.
   b. Shall assist in the operation of meetings by being familiar with Robert's Rules of Order and these By-Laws.

2. The Vice President of Marketing and Communications:
   a. Shall supervise the Marketing and Communications Committee.
   b. Shall work with the officers to produce outreach strategies to ensure Graduate Students are aware of the Council’s programming and opportunities.
   c. Shall maintain all communication assets of the Council, including but not limited to the GC website, the GC mailing list, all GC social media accounts, and all GC content in the GRAD Guide Weekly.
   d. Shall maintain an updated database of contact information for the leadership of local student governments, dean’s councils, and divisional associations.

3. The Vice President of the Academic and Professional Fund
   a. Shall supervise the Academic and Professional Fund.
   b. Shall supervise the Chair of any ad-hoc non-travel funding committee the Council may establish.
   c. Shall serve as a point of contact for Graduate Students in order to help them connect with the appropriate GC, local divisional, or SG funding resources.
   d. Shall keep accurate records of expenditures and allocations of each funding committee.
   e. Shall keep an archive of prior applications for funds.
   f. Shall codify, with the approval of the Council, a Code enumerating rules and eligibility for applicants in consultation with the Vice President of the Research,

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4. The Vice President of the Culture, Social, and Wellness Fund:
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   a. Shall supervise the Chair of any ad-hoc travel funding committee the Council may establish.
   b. Shall serve as a point of contact for Graduate Students in order to help them connect with the appropriate GC, SG, or local divisional travel funding resources.
   c. Shall keep accurate records of expenditures and allocations of the Research, Personal Development, and Travel Fund.
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      i. The incoming President shall solicit applications for the Vice President positions. The Council shall confirm one applicant for each position during the first week of September for the Fall Quarter.

6. The Vice President of Social Programming & Events:
   a. Shall supervise the Social Programming and Events Committee.
   b. Shall assist the committees under their jurisdiction in any events or publications.

7. The Vice President of Community Initiatives:
   a. Shall supervise the Community Initiatives Committee.
   b. Shall liaise with the Office of Civic Engagement, Office of International Affairs, Institute for Politics, and International House.
   c. Shall work closely with the Graduate Liaison to the Board of Trustees in order to ensure that graduate life issues are well represented before the Board of Trustees.
   d. Shall assist the committees under their jurisdiction in any events or publications.

8. The Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion:
   a. Shall supervise the Diversity and Inclusion Committee.
   b. Shall liaise with the University’s Diversity & Inclusion leadership team, including relevant Vice Provosts, UChicagoGRAD Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Executive Director of Center for Identity + Inclusion, and Director of Office of Multicultural Student Affairs.
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9. The Vice President of Health and Wellness:
   a. Shall supervise the Health and Wellness Committee.
   b. Shall liaise with UChicago Student Wellness, including the Student Health Advisory Board, Health Promotion, and Student Counseling.
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   b. At GC meetings, report on information relevant for Graduate Students from contact with Trustees.
   c. Utilize GC as a resource to collect Graduate Student input on issues of importance to the Board of Trustees.
   d. Serve as an informal co-chair of the Graduate Council along with the President or Co-Presidents at the top of the GC executive structure.

11. Impeachment of an Officer:
   a. Any voting member or officer of GC may charge an officer with neglect of duties or disrespecting the office by presenting a formal charge before GC. A majority vote shall determine whether a hearing will occur.
   b. This call for a Hearing shall constitute impeachment, and the accused shall be notified expeditiously.
   c. The Hearing shall be closed, or public, at the wishes of the accused.
   d. The Hearing shall take place at an emergency GC meeting within seven (7) days.
   e. The voting member or officer will have five (5) minutes to present the charges and the accused officer shall have five (5) minutes to present their defense.
   f. GC shall have fifteen (15) minutes for debate, at the end of which a secret-ballot vote shall immediately occur to determine if the officer is to be removed from office.
      i. A simple majority is required to remove the officer from office.
      ii. An officer, other than the accused, shall oversee the counting of the ballots and summarily destroy the ballots after the result is announced and accepted by the Council.

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1. Membership on all Standing Committees, in GC, shall be open to all Graduate Students, no matter their voting status on the Council.
2. GC may establish or dissolve ad-hoc committees at any time with a simple majority vote. These committees will dissolve by the first meeting of the following Autumn Quarter.
3. A Committee Chair must be a Graduate Student. Chairs shall not vote in committee meetings, unless in so voting the outcome would be affected.
4. All Committees shall keep records of their proceedings and attendance of members. These shall be available for public inspection.
5. The time, location, and agenda of all committee meetings shall be made public by announcement at the preceding GC meeting and to interested parties in other ways as may be determined by the respective chairs.
   a. When possible, the standing committees shall hold regularly scheduled meetings. The time and location of such meetings shall be made available on the GC website.
6. The Internal Affairs Committee shall:
   a. Receive a budget from the Council.
   b. Be presided over by the VP of Internal Affairs.
   c. Be comprised of Graduate Students including at least one Council member.
      i. At least one voting member of the committee shall be a member of Graduate Council regardless of the VP's membership in order to provide oversight of the committee and the VP.
   d. Shall facilitate internal organization within Graduate Council by aiding with adherence to governing documents, building relationships between members, and maintain a high-level oversight of GC's resources.
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   e. Produce an application in consultation with the President or Co-Presidents.
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   c. Be presided over by the VP of the Research, Personal Development, and Travel Fund.
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      i. At least one voting member of the committee shall be a member of Graduate Council regardless of the VP's membership in order to provide oversight of the committee and the VP.
   e. Produce an application with the President or Co-Presidents.
   f. Determine travel grant award amounts.
   g. Set deadlines for funding applications each academic quarter.
   h. Not accept requests for funds from students not assessed the Student Life Fee as defined by the exemptions enumerated by the Bursar.
   i. Not allocate Activity Fee Funds to directly contribute to any active political party or election campaign. The Travel Fund shall not allocate funds for an event or publication whose purpose is to promote any external candidate for office within or without the University.

11. The Social Programming and Events Committee shall:
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      ii. At least one voting member of the committee shall be a member of Graduate Council regardless of the VP's membership in order to provide oversight of the committee and the VP.
   d. Be responsible for organizing and running at least two GC social events per quarter.
   e. Create a calendar of events for each quarter by the sixth week of the previous quarter and submit it for GC approval, determined by a majority vote.

12. The Graduate Community Initiatives Committee shall:
   a. Receive a budget from the Council.
   b. Be presided over by the VP of Community Initiatives.
   c. Be comprised of Graduate Students including at least one Council member.
      i. At least one voting member of the committee shall be a member of Graduate Council regardless of the VP's membership in order to provide oversight of the committee and the VP.
   d. Foster interaction between Graduate Students from different divisions.
   e. Investigate Graduate Student concerns brought to the attention of GC by contacting administrators and students, as appropriate.
      i. Propose the best course of action with regards to a student concern.
      ii. Formulate GC's policies with regard to general student issues.

13. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee shall:
   a. Receive a budget from the Council.
   b. Be presided over by the VP of Diversity and Inclusion.
   c. Be comprised of Graduate Students including at least one Council member.
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   b. Be presided over by the VP of Health and Wellness.
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   b. Handle the administrative responsibilities of this Council and its committees
      i. This shall include processing reimbursements.
   c. Shall receive one-third of the total remaining unspent funds in any Student Government account at the end of the fiscal year, and shall disburse this money during the Summer Quarter.

16. Funding awarded to other organizations or individuals by the Council or one of its committees shall be subject to an expiration date stated at the time of the award, by which date all reimbursement requests must be received from the awardee. Unless otherwise noted, the expiration date shall be thirty days following the end of the quarter during which the funded activity is to take place.

Article V: AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these By-Laws may be presented by any voting member and approved with a two-thirds majority.

History:
- Enacted by the Council: May 7th, 2007
- Amended by the Council: October 26, 2015
- Amended by the Council: April 4, 2016
- Amended by the Council: October 2, 2017
  - Amendments made to Article I in order to update the apportionment formula
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- Amendments made to Articles II, III, and IV in order to formalize GC’s operating structure.

- Amended by the Council: May 20, 2019

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- Amended by the Council: June 1, 2021

- Amendments made to reflect the split between Graduate Council and College Council established by the BUILD Act (By-Law Updates to Increase Leadership and Development).