



Constitution

Article I Organization

A. Name

Tau Alpha Epsilon

B. Purpose

To act as the Los Angeles Valley College's Honor Society. To encourage excellence in academics, and to work with each campus organization for the betterment of our campus and community.

C. Dues

TAE requires a \$10 or \$40 dollar per semester dues be paid by each member, and prospective member. In addition, all members must pay the \$10 ASO fee each semester. If these dues cannot be paid by the member for whatever reason, the member should contact the president no less than four weeks prior to the end of the semester to make arrangements.

D. Meetings

Tau Alpha Epsilon will meet once a week, currently on Tuesdays at 1PM in CC208. All meetings are scheduled to last 60 minutes, and those attending are expected to be present for the entire 60 minutes.

Article II Membership

A. Eligibility – Tier 1 & 2

Membership into TAE is open to all students with a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher, provided that they have at least 12 LAVC units or 18 units from another accredited college already accounted for, and that they are currently LAVC students.

B. Service Requirement – Tier 1

Additionally, members are required to fulfill ten “points” in service commitment during the course of the semester, as outlined below:

1 point – for attending a single meeting during the course of a week in its entirety.

1 point – for every hour of service provided to a TAE sponsored event (includes any on campus event traditionally hosted by TAE, such as the Dean’s Luncheon, the Apple Awards banquet, and the bi-weekly ASU Club Days) or any event that has a minimum of three society members in attendance that has been previously approved by majority vote of the membership body.

1 point – for timely completion of any membership assigned creative project, such as posters, web pages, and the like.

1 point – for an in-class presentation regarding TAE

C. Dues

Tier 1 memberships pay \$10 a semester in dues, \$10 ASU fee every semester, and earns 10 Service points.

Tier 2 memberships pay \$40 a semester in dues, \$10 ASU fee every semester, and is exempt from the service point requirement.

Article III Officers and Elections

A. Titles and Duties

- 1) President: the prime director of Society matters. Communication conduit to other campus organizations, and representative of the Society in various matters.
- 2) Vice-President: assists the President in various tasks. Traditionally takes on the responsibility of organizing such events as the ASU Club Days.
- 3) ICC Representative: attends and represents the Society at the weekly ASU Inter-Club Council meetings held Thursdays at 1PM. Reports back to TAE regarding any matters that they may need to be made aware of.
- 4) Secretary: records the minutes for the Tuesday 1PM Society meeting each week, and publishes the minutes in an agreed upon format to the membership body.
- 5) Treasurer/Co-Treasurer: maintain the financial records of the Society, and are made privy to any financial transaction in regards to the Society. Though not necessarily weekly, regular “State of the Treasury” reports to the Society at the Tuesday meeting are traditional.

B. Election of Officers

When possible, all positions will be elected in the last two weeks of the preceding semester. The individuals elected to their posts fulfill their duties until they can be confirmed by the new membership during the first month of each new semester. If a post cannot be filled in the previous semester, or cannot be confirmed in the current semester, nominations and elections for that post will be held at the Societies earliest convenience.

C. Term of Office

Officers shall be elected for a term of one full academic year, but must be confirmed at the start of each new semester. All members are limited to serving as Society Officers for a maximum of two academic years in total.

D. Definition of Quorum in Regards to Votes

Quorum is defined as a majority of the set of those members who have voted.

E. TAE is a Democratic Organization

Though the experience of the officers may come into play in guidance to the Society, TAE is a democratic organization, and, when at all possible, final decisions will rely on majority consent.

Article IV Amendments and Motions

Any Society Member shall have the right to propose an amendment to this Constitution, or to make any motion in any regard to the Society.

Article V Ratification

This Constitution shall not be adopted with any less than a quorum (as defined above) at a previously stated Tuesday meeting that has been communicated to the membership body