CONSTITUTION OF THE
ASSOCIATION OF HISTORY
GRADUATE STUDENTS
TULANE UNIVERSITY

PREAMBLE

The following Constitution, which has been voted on and approved by the members it
governs, will set forth the basic rules by which the association is run.

ARTICLE I

The name of this organisation shall be the Association of History Graduate Students,
hereinafter referred to as AHGS.

ARTICLE II

The purpose of AHGS is to promote the interests of the Graduate Students of History at
Tulane and facilitate the development of their representation to the Department and the
 provision of activities of interest to the academic, professional and social development of
History Graduate Students.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP
i. Membership shall be open to all History Graduate Students in good standing of Tulane
University. AHGS opposes all forms of discrimination, including but not limited to
sexism and racism.
ii. An active member of AHGS will be all Graduate Students of the History Department
Tulane University. No dues are required for membership in AHGS as stipulated by the
unanimous vote of the Executive Committee and membership.

ARTICLE IV

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE
AHGS shall elect from the active membership a president who shall act as coordinator for
the AHGS and a Secretary who will assist the President all Association undertakings. Also
a minimum of 1 to a maximum of 3 members shall be appointed as representatives to the
GSSA. The president of AHGS may hold one of these representative positions.
Elections shall be held at the end of the Spring semester. The President shall be elected by a
majority vote of the members present at the meeting. If there are two or more candidates
and no one receives a majority (51%) of the votes, the candidates who receive the plurality
will win.
Any member in good standing may run for office or be nominated to hold office.
An officer may run for re-election

IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS
Any elected officer may be removed from office for not fulfilling the offices expectations,
as stated in Article IV, by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the meeting. Ten
days notice shall be given to all members prior to this meeting. During this ten day period
the officer in question will be informed of the process and will be given the opportunity to
speak in his/her defense.
DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE MEMBERS
i. The President shall
1. preside over all the meetings of the AHGS
2. coordinate the affairs of the association
3. be the official representative of the association
4. appoint temporary committees
5. be responsible for organisational programming
6. notify members of all meetings and publise all meetings and events
7. organise fund raising activities

ii. The Secretary shall
1. assist the President as requested
2. fulfill the duties of the President in his/her absence
3. be responsible with President for club programming
4. be responsible for keeping minutes, maintaining all official records of the association

TERMS OF OFFICE
Individual office terms for elected officers shall be one whole school year (autumn and spring).

ARTICLE V

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS
The AHGS shall meet no less than twice per semester.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS
The AHGS Executive shall meet no less than once per month excluding vacation periods.

RULES OF ORDER
All meetings of AHGS will be held using parliamentary procedures.

QUORUM
At least three fifths of the association's active membership will be needed in a meeting so that all decisions made at that time are valid. If less than three fifths are in attendance, the issue is to be publicised among the membership before final action is taken.

ARTICLE VI

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS
i. The Constitution may be revised or amended by the submission of a written proposal for amendment to the President
ii. The proposed amendment shall be voted on at a general meeting no sooner than two weeks, nor later than four weeks following its submission.
iii. The Constitution shall be amended or revised upon two thirds vote of the members present at the designated general meeting. All amendments are subject to SBAC approval.

REVIEW OF THE CONSTITUTION
This Constitution will be reviewed every odd number of years by the SBAC.