

**CONSTITUTION OF THE
CONFEDERATION OF NEUROSCIENCE STUDENTS**

Article I. Purpose.

To consolidate and focus on the problems and special interests of graduate students in the Neuroscience Interdisciplinary Program (NSIP), and to provide channels of communication between them and the graduate faculty.

Article II. Organization.

- Section 1: The name of this organization shall be "The Confederation of Neuroscience Students (CNS)."
- Section 2: A. All registered graduate students in the NSIP are eligible to be voting members of the CNS.
 B. Students from other programs and departments who are interested in the neural sciences are eligible to be non-voting guest members of the CNS.
- Section 3: The Director of Graduate Studies shall serve as faculty liaison to the CNS when necessary.
- Section 4: The officers of the CNS shall be as follows:
 A. President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two representatives who will attend meetings of the Graduate School Student Association (GSSA), our umbrella organization.
 B. The representatives shall be elected from the general membership by the general membership. One representative and an alternate will attend faculty meetings, having a voice but no vote, and may be excused from certain deliberations at the discretion of the chair.
 C. The President and the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected in the spring, to serve for the following academic year. Representatives shall be elected in the fall to serve for the current academic year.
- Section 5: Membership dues shall be assessed by a majority vote.
- Section 6: A minimum of two meetings shall be held during each semester of the academic year. Other meetings may be called as necessary.

Article III. Amendments.

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the general members.