



**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

**17th Session  
GPSG  
D.B. #16**

Sponsor: Cabinet Director Airiana Mohr  
GPSG Action: Passed

**AN ACT**

This bill serves to update the GPSG Charter based on eligibility of U2G Students and two other small changes.

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**Section 1: Short Title**

This act may be titled “2025 GPSG Charter Updates.”

**Section 2: Discussion**

**WHEREAS,** The GPSG Charter has not been updated since October 2021.

**WHEREAS,** The GPSG Delegates approved amendments to the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws regarding U2G students that need to be added to the GPSG Charter.

**WHEREAS,** The Office of Leadership, Service, and Civic Engagement has a required Human Rights Clause to be added to the governing documents for student organizations. The GPSG Charter did not have the correct human rights clause.

**WHEREAS,** The clause in the GPSG charter regarding previous version was specific to one update and needed to be modified to be more general.

**WHEREAS**, Amendments to the GPSG Charter require a three-fourths (3/4) majority approval. Amendments must be introduced at one meeting and then voted on at a secondary meeting.

### **Section 3: Action**

**Resolved**, The following amendment will be made to Article IV of the GPSG Charter.

Old Text: Human Rights Clause: In no aspect of its programs shall there be any difference in the treatment of persons on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran, service in the U.S. military, sexual orientation, gender identity, associational preferences, or any other classification which would deprive the person of consideration as an individual. The organization will guarantee that equal opportunity and equal access to membership, programming, facilities, and benefits shall be open to all persons. Eighty percent (80%) of this organization's membership must be composed of UI students

New Text: 12. Human Rights Clause: In no aspect of its programs shall there be any difference in the treatment of persons on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran, service in the U.S. military, sexual orientation, gender identity, associational preferences, or any other classification which would deprive the person of consideration as an individual. The organization will guarantee that equal opportunity and equal access to membership, programming, facilities, and benefits shall be open to all persons. One hundred percent (100%) of this organization's membership must be composed of UI students.

**Resolved**, The following amendment will be made to Article V Section 1 of the GPSG Charter.

Old Text: The constituency of GPSG is all persons registered (part-time and full-time) as either a graduate student or a professional student at the University of Iowa within the member governments that form the delegate body of GPSG. The classification of graduate and professional students into their respective colleges shall be as determined by the University Registrar. Hereafter in this Charter as well as the GPSG Constitution and By-Laws, the term "students" shall refer to the collective constituents of GPSG.

New Text: The constituency of GPSG is all persons registered (part-time and full-time) as either a graduate student or a professional student at the University of Iowa. More specific information on GPSG's constituency can be found in the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws Art. 1 Section 1.

The classification of graduate and professional students into their respective colleges shall be as determined by the University Registrar. Hereafter in this Charter as well as the GPSG Constitution and Bylaws, the term “students” shall refer to the collective constituents of GPSG.

***Resolved,*** The following amendment will be added to Article VI Section 1 of the GPSG Charter.

The CoBRA Committee will be responsible for reviewing this document at a minimum of every two years and will present recommended changes as legislation.

***Resolved,*** The following amendment will be made to Article VI Section 2 of the GPSG Charter.

Old Text: This Charter is amended as of October 05, 2021 and supersedes all previous versions and is intended to automatically become the charter of the Graduate and Professional Student Government of the University of Iowa upon an affirmative 3/4 (three-quarters) vote of the GPSG delegates.

New Text: Updates to this charter shall supersede all previous versions and automatically become the charter of the Graduate and Professional Student Government of the University of Iowa upon an affirmative 3/4 (three-quarters) vote of the GPSG delegates.

***Therefore, be it Resolved,*** that upon a three-fourths vote by the delegates, the above amendments will become part of the GPSG Charter, superseding all previous documents.

#### **Section 4: Enactment**

**THEREFORE,** be it enacted by the University of Iowa Graduate and Professional Student Government upon the signature of the President.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Airiana Mohr". The signature is stylized with a large, looped 'A' and a cursive 'Mohr'.

Cabinet Director, Airiana Mohr

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Khyathi Gadag', written in a cursive style.

President, Khyathi Gadag

April 22, 2025