

### Lambda Nu

National Honor Society for the Radiologic and Imaging Sciences.

#### **BY-LAWS**

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### OHIO Mu Iota CHAPTER OF LAMBDA NU

### **Article I**

## Name, Location, and Color Identity

The name of this organization is the Ohio Mu Iota Chapter of Lambda Nu, the national honor society for the radiologic and imaging sciences.

This Chapter is established in the College of Health Professions at The University of Findlay, Findlay, Ohio.

 $\lambda v$  - Lambda Nu's name is derived from the lower case Greek characters in the formula  $\lambda v$ , which represents the physics of the inverse relationship between wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) and frequency (v), an essential parameter across the diversity of modalities comprising the professions.

 $\Lambda N$  - In a similar manner, Lambda Nu uses the upper case Greek characters  $\Lambda$  and N to represent the inverse relationship and delicate balance required between the art and the science inherent in the radiologic and imaging sciences professions of radiography, radiation therapy, nuclear medicine, diagnostic medical sonography, cardiovascular-interventional technology, mammography, computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, quality management, and bone densitometry.

Lambda Nu's colors are maroon for the radiologic sciences, forest green for the health professions, and gold, the ancient color of honor.

#### Article II

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this Chapter is to:

- foster excellence in teaching and scholarly inquiry in the radiologic and imaging sciences
- foster lifelong learning professionals for meaningful lives and productive careers
- foster highly skilled, knowledgeable, and caring individuals that can provide quality patient care in the medical community
- recognize exemplary scholarship

### **Article III**

## **Membership**

Radiologic and imaging sciences students, alumni, and faculty qualify for membership according to the criteria found in this article. There are obligations and privileges related to membership in this Chapter as described below.

- Section A. All members must register and pay national dues as well as meet all Chapter obligations.
- Section B. Honorary membership may be achieved upon evidence of advanced professional recognition (i.e., presentation at state/national conferences, recipient of noted award, publication in a peer-reviewed journal, etc.).
- Section C. Students may apply to become members upon meeting the qualifying criteria:
  - Professional course GPA 3.0 or higher on 4.0 scale after one full time semester (or equivalent) of a professional program at The University of Findlay.
  - Enrollment in an imaging sciences program as a full time student for at least one semester at The University of Findlay.
  - Evidence of professional commitment which will include at least two of the following or equivalent:
    - GPA higher than 3.8.
    - actively pursuing an independent research project.
    - active membership in an imaging sciences professional organization.
    - presentation of a professional paper or poster.
    - competing in a Quiz-Bowl.
    - clinical-based employment in an imaging sciences field.
    - attendance at two or more conferences.

- Section D. Faculty members are eligible for membership upon meeting the qualifying criteria:
  - Actively teaching at The University of Findlay in an imaging science program (full time, part time, adjunct, or guest faculty).
  - Active membership in an imaging sciences professional organization.
  - Current professional certification by a nationally recognized credentialing organization.
- Section E. Alumni may apply to become members upon meeting the qualifying criteria:
  - Be a graduate of an imaging science program at The University of Findlay and/or the Nuclear Medicine Institute.
  - Provide evidence of a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale after completion of an imaging science program, baccalaureate, or graduate degree. In lieu of an overall GPA of 3.5, alumni are eligible to become members by providing evidence of a GPA of 3.0 in an imaging professional program.
  - Provide evidence of active membership in an imaging sciences professional organization.
  - Provide evidence of current professional certification by a nationally recognized credentialing organization.

### **Article IV**

### **Officers**

- Section A. Only members in good standing may hold office.
- Section B. The duties of the President are to:
  - represent the Chapter in a professional manner
  - carry out the purposes of the organization
  - ensure the welfare of the organization
  - preside at business meetings
  - serve as ex-officio member on all committees
- Section C. The duties of the Vice-President are to assume the duties of the President in the event of absence, incapacity, or resignation.
- Section D. The duties of the Secretary/Treasurer are to record and preserve the proceedings and records of the organization, to keep accurate financial records, maintain current directory of membership, provide for the safekeeping of funds, and assure expenditures are according to the bylaws and the will of the Board and membership.

- Section E. Elected officers assume their duties at the conclusion of the first meeting of the year.
- Section G. In the event of a vacancy in any office, the Executive Board will appoint an active member to fill the vacancy.
- Section F. The term of office for elected officials is one year and officers can be reelected for a limit of three consecutive years.

#### Article V

### **Executive Board**

- Section A. The members of the Executive Board include all officers of the Chapter and the chairpersons of all standing committees.
- Section B. The duties of the Executive Board are to carry out the work of the Chapter between meetings of the membership.

#### Article VI

## Meetings

- Section A. The membership shall meet no less than once per academic year.
- Section B. The following business will be conducted at least once per year:
  - induction of new members
  - election and installation of new officers
  - conduct the business of the organization
- Section C. A quorum for the purpose of conducting business will consist of those members present at a meeting announced by the Executive Board through the posting of a notice to all members.

## **Article VII**

#### **Elections**

- Section A. The election of officers shall occur during the first meeting of the year.
- Section B. A call for nominations for office shall be made to the membership at least 7 days prior to the election. Nominations may be verbal or written but require seconding by another member and acceptance of the nomination by the candidate.
- Section C. Elections shall be by secret ballot of all members present.

#### **Article VIII**

## **Dues and Finances**

- Section A. Dues for students applying to be members shall be:
  - Dues for students shall be a one-time fee of \$40.
  - \$20 shall be forwarded with the proper application form to the national Lambda Nu Chapter for registration and issuance of an individual membership certificate.
  - \$20 shall be deposited into the Chapter account.
  - Annual chapter dues as determined by the Executive Board.
- Section B. Dues for faculty and Alumni applying to become members shall be:
  - Dues for faculty and Alumni shall be a one-time fee of \$55.
  - \$20 shall be forwarded with the proper application form to the national Lambda Nu Chapter for registration and issuance of an individual membership certificate.
  - \$35 shall be deposited into the Chapter account.
  - Annual chapter dues as determined by the Executive Board.
- Section C. In order for a member to be in good standing, all chapter dues must be paid in full.
- Section D. All Chapter fund expenditures must have the approval of the President of the Chapter and the treasurer.

#### Article IX

# **Standing Committees**

- Section A. A Program Committee will plan and conduct induction of new members and officers as well as academic, fund raising, charitable, and social events.
- Section B. Ad-hoc committees may be established as necessary by the President upon ratification by a majority vote of the Executive Board.
- Section D. Committee Chairs are elected by a majority vote of the members present at the first meeting of the year.

## **Article X**

# **Parliamentary Authority**

Business of the Chapter shall occur according to parliamentary procedure practices as described in the most recent edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*. This includes the transaction of business in meetings of the membership and the Executive Board.

### **Article XI**

# Amendments to the By-Laws

- Section A. Proposed by-law amendments must be distributed to all members by a method approved by the Executive Board, at least 7 days prior to the meeting at which the proposal is to be presented for vote.
- Section B. A 2/3 majority is required of those voting for a by-law to become effective.

### **Article XII**

# Validity of By-Laws

These by-laws are valid only when they have been accepted by the national Lambda Nu office.

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