

Gerald W. Vielhauer, *Student Body President*

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**AN ORDER TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENT BODY TO REVISE ARTICLE IV**

Whereas, the Department of Diversity and Inclusion: Race and Ethnicity and the Department of International Engagement share overlapping goals in fostering a more inclusive and globally aware campus community;

Whereas, combining these departments into the Department of Racial, Ethnic, and International Engagement will streamline resources, improve coordination, and enhance support for students of diverse racial, ethnic, and international backgrounds;

Whereas, a unified department will provide a more comprehensive and cohesive approach to addressing issues of inclusion while also strengthening outreach to international students;

Whereas, this structural change will create a more efficient framework for advocacy, programming, and student engagement within the University;

Whereas, the new department will allow for a more effective representation of students' needs in Student Government and ensure that intersectional perspectives are better incorporated into policy and initiatives;

Whereas, renaming the Department of Community Outreach to the Department of Community Service will more accurately reflect its mission of promoting volunteerism and service initiatives within the student body;

Whereas, this change will help clearly differentiate the department from the Department of South Bend Engagement, clarifying its focus on service rather than broader community relations;

Whereas, the current structure of Student Government does not provide a dedicated platform for student-athletes to voice their concerns and contribute to policy discussions;

Whereas, the creation of the Department of Student Athlete Relations will prioritize policy-driven initiatives that foster stronger communication between student-athletes, the broader student body, and University administration;

Whereas, this department will work to enhance collaboration between dorm communities and athletic teams, promote engagement with all home sports competitions, and provide support for student-athletes navigating the evolving NIL landscape;

Whereas, student access to nutritious and affordable dining options is a fundamental aspect of campus life that directly impacts well-being and academic performance;

Whereas, the establishment of the Department of Campus Nutrition will create a policy-driven approach to improving meal plan flexibility, enhancing food variety, and advocating for more inclusive dining options;

Whereas, this department will work closely with dining hall administrators to expand late-night and grab-and-go options, and ensure that student input is consistently considered in food service decisions; therefore, be it

Ordered by the Student Senate of the University of Notre Dame du Lac,

That The Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body is hereby amended as follows:

1. Article IV, Section 3(b)(5) is hereby amended from:

Department of Diversity and Inclusion, Race and Ethnicity

to now read as follows and all subsections and references thereafter and thereof are renumbered accordingly:

Department of Racial, Ethnic, and International Engagement

2. Article IV, Section 3(b)(11) is hereby amended from:

Department of Community Outreach

to now read as follows and all subsections and references thereafter and thereof are renumbered accordingly:

Department of Community Service

3. Article IV, Section 3(b)(15) is hereby amended from:

Department of International Engagement and Outreach

to now read as follows and all subsections and references thereafter and thereof are renumbered accordingly:

Department of Student-Athlete Relations

4. Article IV, Section 3(b)(16) is hereby inserted as follows and all subsections and references thereafter and thereof are renumbered accordingly:

Department of Campus Nutrition

It is so ordered.



Gerald W. Vielhauer
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Samuel Robinson, Student Union Parliamentarian

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