Adler School Alumni Association Bylaws

Our Vision
We produce socially responsible graduates, provide holistic services, promote social justice.

Our Commitment
We are committed to continuing the work of the first community psychologist Alfred Adler.

Our Values
• Social Interest
• Compassion
• Justice
• Respect for the Individual
• Honor Diversity and Difference
• Intellectual Rigor
• Optimism
• Collaboration
• Pragmatism

Our Mission
Adler School of Professional Psychology is an institution of higher education committed to advancing the philosophy and principles of Alfred Adler within the context of professional psychology practice. To this end, the School provides quality professional education, psychological services, community services, research and publications, anticipating and responding to the constant and changing needs of students, the profession of psychology, the community and society.
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ARTICLE I: TITLE

The association shall be called the Adler School Alumni Association herein referred to as the ASAA.

ARTICLE II: MISSION AND VISION

Section 1: Mission

Adler School Alumni Association serves Adler School alumni by fostering lifelong connections among current and future alumni by providing opportunities to engage in educational, professional, service and social programs and activities. Association members support the mission and vision of the School by promoting social justice and by being socially responsible graduates.

Section 2: Vision

The vision of the Adler School Alumni Association is to promote personal and professional growth by providing opportunities for networking and referral. The Association strives to keep alumni informed of changes and trends in the profession. It creates opportunities for alumni to get involved in the community locally, nationally, and internationally. Association members benefit from mentoring, continuing education, training, and communication with members of the Adler School community.

ARTICLE III: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the ASAA are as follows:

1. Help maintain and enhance lifelong relationships between the Adler School of Professional Psychology and its alumni.
2. Enhance communication and connection with Adler School alumni.
3. Recognize and celebrate alumni for their contributions to the school, community and profession.
4. Develop and maintain fellowship and a strong professional and social community among alumni, students, faculty, and staff of the Adler School.
5. Advance alumni professional development through workshops and speaker series.
6. Promote recognition of the Adler School as a leader in social justice and in producing socially responsible graduates.
7. Stimulate alumni to engage in civic and community affairs.
8. Support the fundraising efforts of the Adler School

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Members

All persons who have graduated from the Adler School of Professional Psychology or received an honorary degree are eligible for membership to the ASAA.
ARTICLE V: Leadership Board

Section 1: Leadership Board Membership

ASAA Leadership Board consists of 10 - 12 alumni. ASAA Leadership Board will also have two Adler School degree seeking students serve as ex-officio members. All the ASAA Leadership Board members are volunteers and receive no compensation.

Section 2: Leadership Board Qualifications

The ASAA Leadership Board members are selected based on their commitment to supporting and promoting the mission and vision of the Adler School, expanding the opportunity for alumni to participate in the Adler School community, and to advancing its commitment to diversity. Each Board member brings strong leadership to the ASAA through their work in the field of psychology, community leadership, and through their commitment to the Adler School mission and vision.

Section 3: Leadership Board Terms and Renewal

The ASAA Leadership Board members are eligible to serve a two-year term. Adler School student representatives on the ASAA Leadership Board serve a one year term.

The ASAA Leadership Board members are eligible for a one year renewal after their two-year term has been served.

Section 4: Leadership Board Member Selection

Any member of the Adler School community and the ASAA can nominate candidates for the ASAA Leadership Board position. Adler School staff and the Chair of the Nominations Committee will review all candidates interested in the position and if necessary interview them for selection. The Chair of the Nominations Committee will present a slate of eligible candidates to the ASAA Leadership Board Members. Selection of new members will be based on majority of votes. All appointments will be communicated in writing.

Section 5: Leadership Board Roles and Responsibilities

1. Provide leadership for the Alumni Association
2. Promote awareness of and enthusiasm for the ASAA
3. Increase alumni participation in events
4. Develop new alumni programming
5. Select recipients of alumni awards
6. Actively participate in the board development and recruitment
7. Create professional, community service, and social/networking opportunities for Adler School alumni.
8. Support institutional advancement of Adler School
9. Offer mentorship opportunities to the Adler School community
10. Support Adler School through participation on advisory boards, committees, or other working groups, as needed.

Section 6: Leadership Board Meeting and Requirements
The ASAA Leadership Board will meet a minimum of four times a year. There may be additional committee meetings throughout the year. All members of the ASAA Leadership Board are expected to miss no more than two of the quarterly meetings and attend at least two events per year. Majority of elected board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board.

Meetings may be attended in person, by teleconference, web conference to optimize ASAA Leadership Board participation.

Section 7: Leadership Board Removal and Resignations

ASAA Leadership Board Members are expected to adhere to the American Psychological Association (APA) or American Counseling Association (ACA) ethical standards. Board Members may be asked to step down from their position if they are found in violation of the professional ethical standards, have poor attendance, or act contrary to the ASAA mission or Adler School policies. In order to remove a member from the board, ASAA Leadership Board members must have a majority vote.

ASAA Leadership Board Members who cannot fulfill their two year term can resign from their position at any point by submitting a letter to the President of ASAA.

Section 8: ASAA Leadership Board Member Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy, Adler School staff and the Chair of the Nominations Committee will review all candidates eligible for the position. The Chair of the Nominations Committee will present a slate of candidates to the ASAA Leadership Board Members. Selection of new members will be based on majority of votes. All appointments will be communicated in writing.

Article VI: STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1: Standing Committees

The ASAA standing committees operate all year long and are chaired by an ASAA Leadership Board Members. Committee meetings may be called at the request of any committee chair at the convenience of the committee members. All members of the Adler School Alumni Association are eligible to join an ASAA standing committee and membership is granted at the discretion of the committee chair.

ASAA standing committees include…

Career Development Committee – This committee will work with the career development and community service office of the Adler School to provide career counseling, career mentorship, and helpful hints in the job search process to alumni around the world.

Development Committee – This committee will work closely with the development office of Adler School for fundraising efforts.
Marketing and Communications Committee – The marketing and communications committee will work closely with alumni affairs office to communicate the purpose, plans, goals, and progress of the Adler School and the ASAA.

Nominations Committee – This committee will work with alumni affairs staff and aid staff in reviewing and contributing alumni accomplishments and achievements to alumni staff for the purpose of recognition in publications, for award ceremonies, and to identify potential candidates for the ASAA Leadership Board. This committee also has the charge of running board elections every spring.

Professional Development Committee – The purpose of the professional development committee is to provide opportunities for alumni to engage in continuous education for their professional development. This committee will work closely with the alumni affairs office.

Social Networking Committee – This committee will work with the alumni affairs office to develop and implement alumni programs that offer networking, social, and mentorship opportunities.

Student Recruitment Committee – This committee works with the Adler School Admissions Office to help identify, cultivate, and recruit qualified students for enrollment at Adler School.

Article VII: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1: Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is the standing leadership committee of the Adler School Alumni Association responsible for the oversight and any policy decision that must be made between board meetings. Executive Committee Officers include the President, Vice President, and Secretary.

Section 2: Executive Committee Positions

The President is the principal executive officer of the ASAA and presides over all meetings of the ASAA Leadership Board. The President directs the duties of the other officers and is responsible for communicating the ASAA mission, goals, and committee objectives to members of the ASAA, Adler School staff, administration, faculty, and students. Those who have served at least one year on the ASAA Leadership Board are eligible to be nominated for the position of President. If the president resigns or is removed from office, the Vice President will take the place of the President.

The Vice President of the ASAA – The Vice President of ASAA will support the President and preside over ASAA meetings in the absence of the President. Any person nominated for the position of Vice President must have served a minimum of one year on the ASAA Leadership Board. If the vice president resigns or is removed from office, this position will stay vacant until the next term.

The Secretary of the ASAA is responsible for scheduling quarterly meetings, ordering catering, and recording minutes. If the secretary resigns or is removed from office, the
The executive committee can appoint someone from the ASAA Leadership Board to this position.

The Past President shall be responsible for providing advice and counsel to the ASAA Leadership Board and works with the alumni affairs staff to bridge the communication between students and the ASAA. This will be a one year position.

**Section 3: Executive Committee Elections**

The ASAA Nominations Committee can receive nominations for executive committee members from alumni, staff, faculty, or students of the Adler School of Professional Psychology. Nominations Committee will review all the nominations, verify eligibility, and inform the candidates who have been nominated for a specific position. The nominated alumni will have an opportunity to accept or respectfully decline the nomination. The Nominations Committee will create online ballots for those alumni who do accept their nominations with a profile of each candidate. Elections will be held online in spring of each year. The term of office will be September 1 – August 31.

**Article VII: BYLAW CHANGES**

**Section 1: Bylaw Changes**

Any changes to, or deletions of, existing bylaws, or creation of new bylaws must be approved by a majority vote of the ASAA and by the Adler School Alumni Affairs Staff.