

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

- The name of the organization is **Peruanos en Stanford**

ARTICLE II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

- To facilitate the integration of any member of the Stanford Community interested in the Peruvian association with Peruvian culture and Peruvian students.
- To spread the Peruvian culture to the Stanford community.

ARTICLE III. ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Membership is open to all registered Stanford students. Members of the community, faculty and staff may be affiliated with the group but they cannot become members.
- Members who are not on campus or cannot be located for a period of two months will not be counted for quorum purposes.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

A. Titles and Responsibilities

- There will be two officers: president, and treasurer.
- The president will be the authorized representative of the group. The responsibilities of the president are: to execute the decisions taken by the group, to be the representative and voice of the group, to lead the group meetings, to communicate the date and place of meetings to all members, and those responsibilities outlined in the Handbook for Stanford Student Organizations. The president will be one of the two officers whose signatures are needed in every check issued by the group.
- The treasurer will keep records of all expenses and revenues of the group. The treasurer will be one of the two officers whose signatures are needed in every check issued by the group.
- All decisions will be taken by group meetings by simple majority with no quorum requirement, with the following exceptions:
 - Amendment of the constitution (Article VI).
 - If the group wants to take position on a public issue, the decision must be unanimous and a quorum of two thirds of the total membership is required in the meeting where such decision is taken.
 - Dismissals of any of the two officers.
 - The president and the treasurer may spend up to \$25 in administrative expenses between meetings without the approval of the group. Every check issued by the group must be signed by both the president and the treasurer. Any check that is not signed by these two officers will be invalid.
- Members will voice their votes, except for decisions on public issues. In this case, members will write their votes.

B. Election and Removal Process

- Registered Stanford students with at least one quarter of membership are eligible for candidacy.
- The election will be held on the second Monday of Spring quarter.
- Officers will be elected by simple majority. If no candidate gets more than fifty percent of the vote, a new election will be held with the two candidates with the most votes. No nominations will be accepted after the first vote.
- In the case of a tie that cannot be resolved by the above method, a new meeting will be held on the third Monday of Spring quarter. The most voted candidate will be chosen.
- Members will voice the candidates they want to choose.
- The order of elections of candidates will be: (1) president; (2) treasurer.
- Reelection of the president will take place only with a vote of two thirds of the members that participate in a meeting with quorum of two thirds of the total membership.
- Any of the officers may be dismissed by a vote of two thirds of the members that participate in a meeting with quorum of two thirds of the total membership.

C. Length of Term

- The elected officers will serve for one calendar year, from the day of election on the second Monday of Spring quarter to the following election.

ARTICLE V. DISSOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION

- The organization will be dissolved only with a vote of at least two thirds of the members present at a meeting with quorum of at least two thirds of total membership. If and when the group becomes defunct, all funds and things that the group owns are bequeathed to the Barrio Assistance organization.

ARTICLE VI. PROCEDURE TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION

- The constitution may be changed with a vote of at least two thirds of the members present at a meeting with quorum of two thirds of total membership.
- The meeting where the constitution is going to be amended must be announced to all members with at least one week of anticipation.