Constitution of the Campus Coalition for Sexual Literacy (CCSL) at Indiana University Bloomington

Preamble
The mission of the Campus Coalition for Sexual Literacy is to bring together students, professors, researchers, and advocates on sexuality research, education and policy issues in order to:

a) provide opportunities to advance sexual literacy,
b) promote the development of training and research in sexuality across disciplines and fields,
c) inform policy and practices that promote sexual health and well-being throughout the lifespan.

Sexual literacy can be defined as the knowledge and skills needed to promote and protect sexual wellness.

This may include having healthy intimate relationships, being able to prevent disease, and understanding sexuality beyond just the act. Sexual wellness comes from having comprehensive sexual education and then continuing to learn throughout life.

Specific Goals and Aims:

i. Build student and faculty networks that raise the visibility of sexuality research and education at Indiana University.

ii. Provide space for the exchange of ideas that includes traditionally excluded students and researchers (particularly people of color) and disciplines.

iii. Support campus-based member groups in their efforts to engage campus-based activists, faculty, administrators, and students - and community organizations - in dialogues about sexuality curriculum, sexuality research, and sexuality policy on campus.

iv. Help organize a regional training program about teaching sexuality, doing sexuality research, and contributing to sexuality policy.

Article I: Membership

Membership in this organization is available to individuals as well as campus or community organizations. All members and organizations are eligible to attend regular meetings and events, and will be added to the organization’s e-mail listserv. There are currently no dues associated with membership.

Members are expected to endorse the mission and goals of the CCSL. If an organization or individual requesting membership is suspected of conducting activities that are in contrast to, or fall outside the mission of the CCSL, the current executive staff will have sole discretion in allowing membership to begin or continue. All members attending regularly scheduled meetings have voting privileges.

Participation in this organization is without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Article II: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state, and federal laws.
**Article III: Executive Officers**

**Chairperson (or co-chairpersons):** Graduate student(s) whose main research interest is sexuality. Duties include keeping the advisor current on organizational activities, calling meetings, developing meeting agendas, maintaining a list of organization members, completing required University paperwork, developing and maintaining organization budget, maintaining records of spending, maintaining and presiding over organization website and listserv, and helping members organize events. Chairperson(s) are eligible to remain in office for one year and may be re-elected for any years they remain at Indiana University. They may resign at any time by informing the faculty advisor and all members. Anyone wishing to replace them may put their name forward and voting will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

The executive structure may change as required to meet the needs of the CCSL.

**Article IV: Faculty Advisor**

Dr. Michael Reece, department of Applied Health Science currently serves as the faculty advisor. His duties include providing advice and information regarding events related to the CCSL.

**Article V: Meetings**

Membership meetings will be held once monthly during the fall and spring semesters at the discretion of the chairperson(s). Summer meetings will be scheduled as needed. All meetings will be advertised through the member listserv and website, and can be attended by any member or interested member. The meetings are facilitated by the chairperson(s) and meeting summaries will be posted to the website. Special meetings and events are encouraged. They may be organized by members or the chairperson(s). The chairperson(s) will provide advertising for special meetings and events via the website and listserv. At least one member of the executive board will be present at all meetings or events.

**Article VI: Elections**

Elections for the chairperson position(s) will be held once a space has become vacant. Any member interested in filling the position will notify the current chairperson(s) or the faculty advisor if the chairperson(s) has left the campus. Voting will occur at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Candidates may present a 1-2 minute speech at the meeting regarding their qualifications and interests. All present members will vote by secret ballot and the person with the majority votes will take office.

**Article VII: Non-hazing**

Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person’s consent or lack of consent.

**Article VIII: Dues and Budgets**

The budget is created and maintained by the chairperson(s). The budget is revised annually at the end of the summer/beginning of fall semesters. No dues are currently collected for membership.
**Article IX: Finances**

Financial affairs are the responsibility of the chairperson(s). The CCSL will be applying for and maintaining a Student Organization Account and will act in accordance with the Student Organization Accounts office policies and procedures. If the group dissolves, money held in the account will be returned to the funding body (if one can be identified) and the remainder will be donated to non-profit community groups which meet the mission statement of the CCSL at the discretion of the chairperson(s) in consultation with the faculty advisor.

**Article X: Amendments**

Amendments to this constitution will be discussed at regularly scheduled meetings. Members will be notified via e-mail and a posting on our website. Any interested members may come to the meeting to vote. Amendments will be ratified with the majority vote of present members. Once approved by the organization, the amended constitution will be submitted to the Student Activities Office for approval.

**Date: August 25, 2008**