

Constitution for TIKKUN

University of Maryland School of Social Work

Article I. Name of the organization

The name of this organization shall be TIKKUN of the University of Maryland, School of Social Work

Article II. Purpose of the organization

The purpose of TIKKUN shall be:

1. To promote a feeling of solidarity and pride among the Jewish students and other members within the School of Social Work
2. To increase Jewish cultural awareness with the University of Maryland School of Social Work.
3. To focus on and improve educational, cultural, and social development within the Jewish Community.
4. To provide the student body with knowledge of Jewish culture and diverse ethnic heritages through various activities.

Article III. General Membership

1. Any student, faculty, or alumni of the University of Maryland School of Social Work may become a member of TIKKUN after attending a meeting.

Article IV. Officers

1. All decisions, votes, or nominations will be determined by a majority vote among the TIKKUN membership (hereafter referred to as the general membership).
2. The TIKKUN officers will be one or two Co-leaders, Treasurer, and Special Events or Project Coordinator appointed or elected from the TIKKUN General Membership's student body to be responsible for upholding the constitution of TIKKUN and translating the contexts of TIKKUN to the members of TIKKUN and to the University Of Maryland School Of Social Work.

Article V. Meetings

1. Monthly meetings: The officers shall meet for at least one organizing/planning meeting each semester In addition to the monthly general TIKKUN group meetings per semester.
2. At least one General TIKKUN group meeting will be organized and held each semester. Subsequently meetings will depend on the level of TIKKUN membership participation, student body needs, and current events impacting the Jewish community, and Social Work profession, as well as unforeseen but essential learning opportunities.

Article VI. Finance

1. TIKKUN shall receive \$1,000 per semester (via student activity fees) from the University of Maryland School of Social Work. The SGA Treasurer shall monitor TIKKUN funds until the organization uses all funds. NOTE: Unused funds from the fall term will follow to the spring term and funds left after the conclusion of the spring term will be returned to the SGA General budget.
2. Fund usage: All use of TIKKUN funds must be approved by membership prior to the subsequent semester. This may be done through the approval of a general budget

Article VII. Faculty Advisor

1. When necessary, the acting co-leaders shall have the power to nominate a faculty member to serve as the faculty advisor to TIKKUN. A full membership majority vote (2/3) shall be obtained to approve the nomination.
2. Upon acceptance of the nomination, the Faculty Advisor shall act as an intermediary between the University of Maryland school administration and TIKKUN. Shall provide guidance for the group on spiritual and organizational matters. The Faculty Advisor is invited to attend all TIKKUN functions, events, and meetings. While not responsible for leading group meetings, the Faculty Advisor may do so periodically as willing and able.

Article VIII. Amendments to the Constitution

1. All members of TIKKUN are eligible to propose amendments to the Constitution. Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be announced to the group prior to being voted upon. Voting shall be by simple majority (2/3) of those present at the meeting.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Relationship with the Student Government Association

- (a) TIKKUN, along with other student organizations of the University of Maryland School of Social Work fall under the guidance of the Student Government Association (hereafter referred to as the SGA)
- (b) TIKKUN shall provide the SGA with the organizations constitution and by-laws (updated as necessary) budgets, Faculty Advisor(s) name(s), and a current list of officers to be recognized as a Student Government affiliated Student Organization. This information will be turned in at the first SGA meeting in the fall semester.
- (c) TIKKUN shall review and update its constitution and by-law each academic year. Revisions will be presented at an SGA meeting, requiring a quorum to review and vote.
- (d) TIKKUN shall further provide SGA with minutes from all meetings, activity plans, and day, time, and place of organizations scheduled meetings.
- (e) At least one TIKKUN officer (TIKKUN member if officer is not available) must be in attendance at all monthly SGA meetings. One person from TIKKUN must attend unless prior notification has been given to an SGA representative.
- (f) All funds must be utilized for activities provided which are relevant to the course of study and advancement of the University Of Maryland School Of Social Work. All activities must be advertised to and be open to all registered students of the University of Maryland School of Social Work.
- (g) TIKKUN must publicize meetings and events to the students of the University Of Maryland School Of Social Work.
- (h) Neither students at the University Of Maryland School Of Social work nor any interested participant from the other schools within the University of Maryland or the community at large can be refused from attending a TIKKUN-funded event.
- (i) Funds will not be available to TIKKUN unless it has complied with (b)-(h).
- (j) TIKKUN may not request additional funding from SGA unless it has complied with rules stated in (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h).

Article II. Fund Usage

- (a.) Copies of TIKKUN budgets shall be forwarded to the Dean of Student Affairs, the Faculty Advisor for TIKKUN and the SGA Treasurer.
- (b.) TIKKUN events that incorporate meals or food can be attended by staff, and administration who should be prepared to pay a fee for attending the event with the exception of the Faculty Advisor who has been identified by the student organization.
- (c.) If the organization does not submit its budget as described in Article I (I), then TIKKUN must submit written requests, at least two weeks prior to a planned event, to receive SGA funds not for the planned activity. These requests will be reviewed and voted on at monthly SGA meetings by a 2/3 vote of the SGA's Executive Board and any students of the University of Maryland School of Social Work in attendance at that meeting.
- (d.) In attempting to secure a guest speaker for an event, SGA requests to attempt to negotiate the fee to reduce the excessive use of SGA funds for this purpose.
- (e.) TIKKUN, along with all other student organizations, can request any and all funds available to the SGA for events that incorporate the students of the University of Maryland School of Social Work or other student affiliated organizations on campus.

Article III. Public Relations

- (a.) All events and meetings should be publicized at least 2 weeks in advance within the University of Maryland School of Social Work utilizing two or more of the following:
 - 1. The SSW Daily Bulletin and/or Social Connection
 - 2. TIKKUN's and SGA's bulletin board
 - 3. Fliers
 - 4. E-mail
 - 5. University of Maryland School of Social Work monitors
 - 6. The Student Connection
 - 7. The Voice (campus newspaper)

- (b.) TIKKUN shall properly maintain its bulletin board throughout the school year
- (c.) Fliers posted for special events cannot be posted on the entry doors of the University Of Maryland School Of Social Work, in the elevator within the school, or on painted surfaces.
- (d.) Fliers must be removed after an event has taken place
- (e.) TIKKUN can be fined if it does not comply with (a), (b), (c), or (d) above.
- (f.) Copies of all fliers should be filed with the Office of Student Affairs

Article IV. Organization Access in the School

- (a.) TIKKUN shall be provided with its own bulletin board within the University Of Maryland School Of Social Work on which it may announce events, provide information, and communicate with its members and the general student and faculty body.
- (b.) At least 1 officer of TIKKUN shall be provided with a key to the SGA office.
- (c.) TIKKUN shall have its own storage space as well a file drawer within the SGA office. Copies of all minutes, fliers, advertisements, correspondence, updated constitution, member lists, or other documents from each Academic year must be stored in the TIKKUN files. The secretary of TIKKUN, as overseen by the Co-Chairs shall maintain this file.
- (d.) TIKKUN shall have a page within the University School of Social Work's website. Members should update the page with changes in constitution or purpose, planned events, and the summaries of activities and meetings.