

STATUTES OF TRINITY COLLEGE
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TITLE I
The College and Its Board of Trustees

Section 1. The “Trustees of Trinity College” (hereinafter “the College”) exists for the purpose of establishing, operating, maintaining, and conducting in perpetuity an institution of postsecondary education for the provision of collegiate instruction. As a corporation, the College may engage in any lawful act or activity relating directly or indirectly to its purpose, in keeping with the Connecticut Revised Nonstock Corporation Act or its successors, and subject only to any limitations set forth in the College’s Charter.

Section 2. The College’s Board of Trustees is the supreme governing authority of the College. The Board of Trustees shall be the College’s sole fiduciary governing board and shall be the only board authorized by law to act for and in the name of the College or the College. The Board of Trustees shall possess and exercise full power and authority to prescribe and direct the College’s course of study, the discipline to be observed in the College; and also to select and appoint a President of the College, faculty members, and such other officers as the Board of Trustees shall deem appropriate for the operation of the College, all of whom shall hold their office during the pleasure of the Board of Trustees; provided always that no faculty member or officer of the College (other than the President) shall be eligible to serve as a Trustee.

TITLE II
The President

Section 1. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a President who shall hold office upon such terms as the Board of Trustees shall determine, during which term the President shall also serve as a member of the College’s Board of Trustees.

Section 2. The President shall serve as the chief executive officer of the College and the College’s principal educational and administrative official. The President shall be responsible to the Board of Trustees for the conduct, coordination, and quality of the College’s programs and for its future development. The President shall have the authority to perform all acts that are necessary to make effective the policies and actions of the Board of Trustees, unless a resolution of the Trustees specifically grants such authority to another person or entity. As a liaison between the Board of Trustees and the faculty, the President shall inform each of the views and concerns of the other relating to the programs and administration of the College.

Section 3. The President shall be a member of every faculty of the College and may at the President’s discretion call a meeting of any faculty.

TITLE III

The College Faculty

Section 1. As used in these Statutes, the term “College Faculty” shall include the following persons:

- (a) Those persons who hold tenured, tenure-track, or other multiple-year, full-time appointments as faculty members and who are engaged in the instruction and oversight of the College’s undergraduate and graduate students.
- (b) Other persons with teaching or research responsibilities at the College who are elected by a majority vote of the Faculty as it is constituted at any given time and whose election is approved by the Board of Trustees. This membership shall continue as long as such responsibilities remain unchanged. Persons wishing to be designated as College Faculty under this subsection may at any time submit their names and pertinent information to the Secretary of the Faculty for presentation to the Faculty.
- (c) The President, the Dean of the Faculty, and the College Librarian for so long as such persons serve in their respective positions. Election of other officers of the College to the list of persons included as members of the College Faculty under this subsection shall be made only by a majority vote of those persons covered by subsections (a) and (b) of this section and only upon the approval of the Board of Trustees.
- (d) Any College Faculty member who is in phased retirement until such time as such person has fully retired from College Faculty employment.

Section 2. The College Faculty has primary responsibility for such fundamental areas as curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction, research, faculty status (including appointments, reappointments, decisions not to reappoint, promotions, the granting of tenure, and dismissal), and those aspects of student life which relate to the educational programs of the College. In areas in which primary responsibility is vested in the College Faculty, the College Faculty may make rules and regulations for its own guidance; provided that any such rules or regulation is first approved by the Board of Trustees and is deemed by the Board of Trustees not to conflict with the College’s Charter, the Standing Rules of the Board of Trustees, these Statutes, or the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut.

Section 3. A Secretary of the Faculty shall be the College Faculty’s primary elected representative and serve as liaison between the Faculty and the Dean of the Faculty.

TITLE IV

Organization of the Alumni

Section 1. The Association of the Alumni consists of all matriculated members of the College who are no longer students at the College, and all recipients of honorary degrees.

Section 2. The Association has power to make laws and choose officers for its own government; and according to said laws to assemble from time to time, to consult and advise for the benefit of the College, and to exercise such other powers and privileges as are specially accorded to the alumni by the Board of Trustees.

Section 3. The Association has the right to nominate candidates for admission *ad eundem gradum*.

TITLE V

The Board of Fellows

Section 1. The Fellows of Trinity College shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, to serve as visiting advisors on administrative and academic matters. Each Fellow shall continue in office for three years from the time of appointment and may be appointed for a second term.

Section 2. The Fellows shall be known, collectively, as the Board of Fellows and shall meet at least annually.

TITLE VI

Interpretation and Amendment

Section 1. If there is any inconsistency between a provision in these Statutes and a provision in the College's Charter or the Standing Rules of the Board of Trustees, then said provision in these Statutes shall be null and void and the superseding Charter or Standing Rules provisions shall control.

Section 2. These Statutes may be amended, revised, repealed or replaced at any meeting of the Board of Trustees by a two-thirds vote of the Trustees present, provided that not less than two days' notice of any proposed amendment shall have been sent to each member of the Board of Trustees in advance of the date of meeting.