

SANL**YAB**
PARTY

"Serbisyong Taos-Puso"

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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PREAMBLE

We, the members of the SANLIYAB Political Party, believe in the need for a progressive and transformational student leaders at Holy Angel University and in the transformation of Angelites as future leaders of the nation and shall share a common goal and aspirations that embody the ideals of democracy and supports equality and justice among all the students and youth of the nation.

ARTICLE I General Provisions

Section 1. This document shall be known as the Constitution and By-Laws of SANLIYAB Political Party.

Section 2. For the purposes of this Constitution and By-Laws, the following words used shall have the meaning as ascribed to them in this section.

- 2.1. "University" refers to Holy Angel University
- 2.2. "Councils" refers to the University Student Council and College Student Council
- 2.3. "The Party" refers to the Sanliyab Political Party
- 2.4. "The Board" refers to the Party's Executive Board

ARTICLE II Name and Domicile

Section 1. The name of this Political Party should be known as SANLIYAB Political Party, hereafter referred to as "The Party".

Section 2. The seat of the SANLIYAB Political Party shall be located inside the premises of the University and any virtual platform.

ARTICLE III Mission and Vision

Section 1. Mission. To empower aspiring student leaders to become transformative leaders who advocate for equality, social justice, and accessible quality education, while championing the rights of all the students.

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Section 2. Vision. To become a beacon of hope for the student body, uniting everyone with a common goal of fostering equality, justice, and accessible quality education. Through transformational leadership, we aim to inspire student leaders to champion the rights of all students and uphold the values of democracy, fairness, and societal responsibility.

ARTICLE IV The Official Logo of the Party



Section 1. The Flower represents the qualities of beauty, elegance, and grace, mirroring the party's goal to inspire and uplift those around them with their presence. Thus, like the intricate layers of a rose, effective leadership requires depth, complexity, and the ability to nurture growth within oneself and others.

Section 2. The Stem (Bearer) represents resilience and strength, values we hold as we navigate through challenges, always staying compassionate and empathetic, which aligns with our mission to fight for equality and social justice for all students.

Section 3. The Fire represents the passion and drive, that fuels transformative change. Echoing our vision to ignite action and inspire others to join our cause. Like the fire, the party radiates a warm energy, providing guidance to its members.

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Section 4. The Color Gold in the Stem up to the Petals represents our dedication to stewardship, ensuring balance and responsibility in student leadership. This reflects our belief that leaders must wisely manage their fire in serving, channeling it toward the collective success of the student body.

Section 5. The Pink Petals embody nurturing, empathy, and collaboration, which are key to building strong and supportive relationships, that centers to our mission of empowering student leaders to act in solidarity and foster an environment of mutual respect and growth.

Section 6. The Violet Petals represents the party color and symbolizes wisdom, intuition, and spiritual awareness, reflecting our vision of creating leaders with deep understanding and insights into the complexities of social justice, equality, and the challenges students face in their academics.

Section 7. *The symbols and colors of the party reflects the core values and goals of our mission and vision, guiding us as we work to empower and inspire student leaders to create a lasting positive and transformational change in Holy Angel University.*

ARTICLE V

Declaration of Principles, Objectives, and Policies

Section 1. PRINCIPLES

Section 1.1. The Party shall have a political power that emanates from the student body. It shall be an autonomous, unified, and democratic representation of the student body.

Section 1.2. The Party shall uphold and adhere to:
"Serbisyong Taos-Puso na merong Isang Laban, Isang Liyab."

Section 1.3. The Vision-Mission Statement of Holy Angel University shall also serve as the guide of the party working to serve the best interest of the student body.

Section 1.4. The Party is founded on the principles of democracy, responsible student-leadership, collaboration, unity, accountability, and efficiency in serving the student body.

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Section 1.5. The Party shall be committed to putting these values, principles, and ideals into action through academic, socio-civic, leadership programs and activities.

Section 2. OBJECTIVES

Section 2.1. To prioritize and champion the rights of students, ensuring their voices are heard in academic, social, and administrative matters.

Section 2.2. Promote a culture that celebrates diversity and inclusivity, fostering an environment where students of all backgrounds feel welcome and respected.

Section 2.3. Develop initiatives to address students' physical and mental well-being.

Section 2.4. Promote transparency and accountability.

Section 2.5. Foster a sense of societal responsibility.

Section 2.6. To represent the students in the policy-making body of the school concerning the students' rights and welfare.

Section 2.7. To empower the students to strive to become transformational and excellence in academics, leadership, and societal responsibility.

Section 3. POLICIES

Section 3.1. The Party shall be a political party within the University Councils.

Section 3.2. The party is not only limited to the corners of the University, but can also have partnership outside upon the 2/3 approval of its executive board.

Section 3.3. The Party shall be committed to putting these values, principles, and ideals into action through academic, socio-civic, leadership programs and activities.

Section 3.4. The Party shall encourage open communication and dialogue with other student bodies, movements, and other sectors of society not inconsistent with its principles and purposes.

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Section 3.5. The Party shall always remain, accountable and transparent with all its transactions involving the interest of its constituents who they must serve with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty, efficiency, and professionalism.

Section 3.6. The Party shall strive to pursue an independent stand, not dictated by any other sector, other than the students, if these are not contrary to the Mission-Vision Statement of the University.

ARTICLE VI Membership

Section 1. Membership to the party shall be open to all bona fide students of Holy Angel University who are eligible to run for council office and can be enjoined with the party provided that he/she shall be committed to serving and to be accountable at all times.

Section 2. New members of the party shall first subscribe to the following Oath of Affiliation:

I, (NAME) of (DEPARTMENT) having been accepted as a member of SANLIYAB Political Party do hereby solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will support and defend its Constitution and its Principles, Objectives, and Policies, that I will work for its victory in elections and for the realization of a free, just, democratic and progressive society with a council that is clean, honest and responsive to the needs of the student body; that I will comply with such rules, regulations, and decision as may be promulgated by the duly-constituted Party authorities; and that I will serve the student body and the party faithfully without any mental reservation whatsoever.

So, help me God. (In the case of affiliation, this sentence will be omitted)

(Signature)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this (day)_ day of (month), (year) at (location)

Section 3. Former council officers, candidates and alumni of the University who have been part of the Party shall also subscribe to the Oath of Affiliation and act as official advisers to the members.

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Section 4. This Political Party and its members shall not, in any way, discriminate any individuals of their race, gender, sexual orientation, color, religion, age, etc.

Section 5. Membership shall be effective for one electoral year of the University and shall be renewed annually should the member decide to do so.

ARTICLE VII Rights, Duties and Privileges of Members

RIGHTS

Section 1. To be heard and to vote in Party meetings.

Section 2. To choose or be chosen as a Party official.

Section 3. To be informed of Party meetings, plans, activities, finances, and the use of funds and property.

Section 4. To be accorded due process on complaints, investigations, and decisions on matters affecting membership and tenure.

DUTIES

Section 5. To be actively involved in Party meetings, activities programs, and projects.

Section 6. To pay dues and assessments as deemed necessary.

Section 7. To promote, support and defend the party's principles, objectives, and policies.

Section 8. To uphold the highest ethical standard in the performance of his/her duties.

PRIVILEGES

Section 9. Every party member has the right to express his/her opinions on matters affecting him/her and the party through appropriate communication channels.

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Section 10. Every party member shall be given the privilege of representing The Party in various activities organized by other Political Parties.

ARTICLE VIII Disciplinary Actions for the Members

Section 1. Any member of the Party may be disciplined, suspended, or removed from the Party on any of the following grounds:

Section 1.1. Engaging in any act antagonistic to its objectives or inimical to its interest, or for violation of or deliberate failure to support any of its fundamental decisions.

Section 1.2. Failure to attend three (3) consecutive Party meetings or at least 2/3 of the meetings duly convened within a given calendar year without valid reason duly communicated within a reasonable period prior to the meeting and subsequently approved by the Party Officers.

Section 1.3. Non-participation and involvement in Party-sanctioned activities without valid reason duly communicated within a reasonable period prior to the activity and approved by the Party Officers and;

Section 1.4. Membership in another political party, either by act or deed.

Section 2. PROCEDURE – The Party, Motu Proprio or acting upon a complaint executed by any Party member, shall investigate and decide on the case whose decision may be appealed to the Party officers, whose decision(s) shall be final.

Section 3. SUSPENSION – A Party member may be suspended for a period not exceeding one (1) electoral year.

Section 4. REINSTATEMENT – A Party member duly removed may apply for reinstatement to the Party Rolls upon written application to the Party. The said member is deemed reinstated on the day the party acts favorably on the matter by 2/3 votes of the party members present, there being a quorum.

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ARTICLE IX Party's Executive Board

Section 1. THE PRESIDENT – The President shall be the principal leader and Chief Executive Officer of the Party. He/She shall also be the Party's Spokesperson unless he designates otherwise. He/She shall exercise all the powers and perform all the functions of the Party. The exercise of such powers or the performance of such functions shall be reported to the Party at its meeting which he/she shall preside. He may delegate any of his powers to any Party officer.

Section 2. THE VICE PRESIDENT – The Vice President shall exercise such powers and perform such functions as the Party President may from time-to-time assign. The Vice President shall perform the duties and functions of the President in case of the latter's absence, disability, death or resignation.

Section 3. THE SECRETARY GENERAL – The Secretary General shall be the Chief Administrative and Liaison Officer of the Party, coordinating the activities of the Party to its members. He/She shall be the custodian of all Party records and documents and shall be the official recorder of all meetings of the Party. Furthermore, he shall oversee and direct the operations of the Party.

Section 4. THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY – The Assistant Secretary shall perform the duties and functions of the Secretary in case of the latter's absence, disability, death or resignation. He/She shall perform functions that may be assigned to him by the Treasurer or President.

Section 5. THE TREASURER – The Treasurer shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the Party and shall raise funds that shall be disbursed upon authority of the Party President. He/She shall be the custodian of Party funds and properties.

Section 6. THE ASSISTANT TREASURER – Shall perform the duties and functions of the Treasurer in case of the latter's absence, disability, death or resignation. He/She shall perform functions that may be assigned to him or her by the Treasurer or President.

Section 7. THE AUDITOR – The Auditor shall be responsible for formulating the party's financial guidelines and reports. He/She shall audit the party's finances and shall keep and update inventory of all the party's properties.

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Section 8. THE DISTINCT BOARD MEMBERS – The Distinct Board Members shall aid the party's executive board in decision making for the party and shall include the following:

- Party's Candidate for USC President (if any)
- Party's Candidate for USC Vice President (if any)
- Party's Candidate for CSC Governor (if any)
- Party's Candidate for CSC Vice Governor (if any)

ARTICLE X

Disciplinary Actions for the Officers

Section 1. GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION - Any officer of the Party may be removed or suspended on the following grounds:

Section 1.1. Commission of any act antagonistic to the Party objectives or inimical to its interests, or for violation of or deliberate failure to support any of its fundamental decisions.

Section 1.2. Membership in another political party, either by act or deed.

Section 1.3. Dishonesty, oppression, or misconduct while in office, gross negligence, abuse of authority or dereliction of duty.

Section 1.4. Failure to attend two (2) consecutive Party meetings or at least ½ of the meetings duly convened within a calendar year of the Party.

Section 2. PROCEDURE – The Party, Motu Proprio or acting upon a complaint executed by any Party member, shall investigate and decide on the case whose decision may be appealed to the other Party officers, whose decision(s) shall be final.

Section 3. SUSPENSION – A Party officer may be suspended for a period not exceeding one (1) electoral year.

Section 4. REINSTATEMENT – A Party officer duly removed may apply for reinstatement to the Party Rolls upon written application to the Party. The said member is deemed reinstated on the day the party acts favorably on the matter by 2/3 votes of the party members present, there being a quorum.

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ARTICLE XI Meetings of The Party

Section 1. REGULAR MEETING. Regular Meetings of The Party shall take place every month with appropriate notice to be sent out by the Secretary-General to each member of The Party at least three (3) working days prior to the meeting. The time and place of the meeting shall be determined by the Secretary-General. A quorum of two-thirds (2/3) plus one shall be required to make decisions of The Party valid and enforceable.

Section 2. SPECIAL MEETING. Special Meetings of The Party shall take place at any time at least one (1) day before the said meeting, either at the call of the President or upon the request of majority of the party members. The quorum of two-thirds (2/3) plus one shall be required to make decisions of the party valid and enforceable. Yet, no decision shall be made valid and enforceable if the quorum is not met. However, in case of urgent meeting where time and urgency are of main consideration, the rule of quorum may be abolished by The Party President.

Section 3. The notice for any meeting, be it a regular meeting or special meeting, shall contain the agenda/s to be discussed.

Section 4. A party member who is absent in any of the meetings stated in Sections 1 and 2 of this article shall have the responsibility to update him/herself and read the minutes of the said meetings.

Section 5. A party member who is absent in any of the meetings stated in Sections 1 and 2 of this article shall submit a written explanation to the Secretary-General as to the reason/s for his failure to attend the meeting. The Secretary-General, in turn, shall make a record of the party member's attendance.

Section 6. Any party member who absents himself for three (3) consecutive times from any regular or special meeting without justifiable and valid reason/s shall be subjected to grounds for disciplinary actions.

Section 7. A party member who is late in any of the meetings stated in Sections 1 and 2 of this article shall notify the Secretary-General of his/her presence upon entering the meeting proper. The Secretary-General, in turn, shall make a record of the party member's attendance.

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ARTICLE XII

Promulgation and Amendments to This Constitution

Section 1. PROMULGATION – This Constitution shall be promulgated by the Party Officers at a meeting called for the purpose by the party's president.

Section 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION – This Constitution shall be amended through:

Section 2.1. The initiative of the party's founder;

Section 2.2. By the party officers;

Section 2.3. By the vote of 2/3 of all members of the party at a meeting called for the purpose by the President, provided that the members of the party present for the said meeting are in a quorum, which is defined as fifty percent plus one of the total memberships of the party.

Section 2.4. This Constitution shall be reviewed and/or amend every three (3) years or as necessary to fit the current political landscape of the university, following the procedures set by this section.

ARTICLE XIII

Separability Clause, Repealing Clause, and Effectivity

Section 1. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. In case any provision in this Constitution shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 2. REPEALING CLAUSE. All rules, regulations, or decrees, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act shall hereby be revised accordingly.

Section 3: EFFECTIVITY. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.