

ACADEMIC FREEDOM POLICY

Board Bylaw:

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Within the scope of their duties and responsibilities, the Board recognizes and acknowledges the College's responsibility to protect and encourage the search for knowledge and its dissemination.

Faculty members have both the right and obligation to adequately investigate and to present to their students, based upon their professional judgment, available information related to the subject and course being taught. Faculty members shall at all times strive to be accurate, show respect for the opinions of others, present various facets of controversial issues, identify their own personal persuasion on controversial issues where necessary to present an unbiased presentation on such issues, and make every effort, where appropriate, to indicate that they are not institutional spokespersons.

When speaking or writing as private citizens on institutional issues, Board members and College employees shall indicate that they are not institutional spokespersons.

Replaces Academic Freedom Policy 3.203 Approved