

3357:13-14-02 Academic Freedom

(Ref: [Article III](#) of the latest [Collective Bargaining Agreement](#) (CBA))

Statement on Academic Freedom

Teachers are entitled to freedom in research and in the publication of the results, subject to the adequate performance of their other academic duties; but research for pecuniary return should be based upon an understanding with the authorities of the institution.

Teachers are entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing their subjects, even though the material may be controversial. However, they should be careful not to introduce into their teaching controversial matter which has no relation to their subjects. When controversial matter is discussed, the teachers may wish to touch upon the legal, moral, and ethical implications of the issues.

College or university teachers are citizens, members of a learned profession, and representatives of educational institutions. When they speak or write as citizens, they should be free from institutional censorship or obligations. As persons of learning and educational representatives, they should remember that the public may judge their profession and their institutions by their utterances. Hence they should at all times be accurate, should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinions of others, and should make every effort to indicate that they are not institutional spokesmen.

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