

SECTION: Personnel Policies and Procedures
SUBJECT: Academic Freedom
SOURCE REFERENCE:

NUMBER: D/1.19
DATE: Fall 2002
REVISION DATE: 2003, 2008

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

In the development of knowledge, research endeavors, and creative activities, faculty and students are free to cultivate a spirit of inquiry and scholarly criticism. Faculty members are entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing discipline related subjects, but should be careful not to introduce into teaching controversial material which has no relation to the course. Faculty and students must be able to examine ideas in an atmosphere of freedom and confidence. At no time shall the principle of academic freedom prevent the institution from taking proper efforts to assure the best possible instruction for all students in accordance with the mission and objectives of the institution.