ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The teacher is entitled to full freedom of research, and in the publication of the results, subject to the adequate performance of other academic duties, but research for monetary return should be based upon an understanding with the authorities of the institution.

The teacher is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing his/her subject, but should be careful not to introduce into teaching any controversial matter which has no relation to the subject.

A teacher speaking or writing as a citizen should be free from institutional censorship or discipline, but his/her special position in the community carries special obligations. As a person of learning and an educational officer, the teacher should remember that the public may judge the profession and institution by utterances. Hence the teacher should at all times be accurate, should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinion of others, and should make every effort to indicate that he/she is not an institutional spokesman.

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