



BOARD POLICY

TITLE: ACADEMIC FREEDOM

BOARD POLICY # 4030 *was 344 Academic Freedom*

Umpqua Community College is committed to the principle that institutions of higher learning benefit from academic freedom. Umpqua Community College defines academic freedom as the faculty's right to engage in intellectual debate, research, speech, writing, artistic expression, and all other forms of communication, both on and off campus, without fear of censorship or reprisal.

REFERENCE: NWCCU Standard 2.B.1; 2.B.2 (*updated 3/19/2021*)

RESPONSIBILITY:

The Chief Academic Officer is responsible for implementing and updating this policy. Specific guidance for policy implementation may be found in the associated Administrative Procedure(s).

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DATE(S) OF REVISION:

DATE(S) OF PRIOR REVIEW: 5/10/2023