

AAUP Resources on Academic Freedom

AAUP Policy Statements, Reports, & Analysis

The policies published in the AAUP's *Policy Documents and Reports*, also known as the "Redbook," have been formulated by standing and special AAUP committees and governing bodies, and at times in cooperation with other organizations.

I. Policy Statements

[1940 Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure.](#)

[Procedural Standards in Faculty Dismissal Proceedings.](#) 1958.

[Procedural Standards in the Renewal or Nonrenewal of Faculty Appointments.](#) 1989 revision.

[On Trigger Warnings.](#) 2014.

[Recommended Institutional Regulations on Academic Freedom and Tenure.](#) 2018 revision.

[Academic Freedom and Electronic Communications.](#) 2013 revision.

[Protecting an Independent Faculty Voice: Academic Freedom after Garcetti v. Ceballos.](#) 2009.

[The Use and Abuse of Faculty Suspensions.](#) 2008.

[Freedom in the Classroom.](#) 2007.

[Academic Freedom and Outside Speakers.](#) 2006.

[Statement on Corporate Funding of Academic Research.](#) 2004.

[Verification and Trust: Background Investigations Preceding Faculty Appointment.](#) 2004.

[Academic Bills of Rights.](#) 2003.

[Incentives to Forgo Tenure.](#) 2000.

[Post-tenure Review.](#) 1999 revision.

[A Statement of the Association's Council: Freedom & Responsibility.](#) 1990 revision.

[1915 Declaration of Principles on Academic Freedom and Academic Tenure.](#)

II. Academic Freedom and the Law

[Legal Round-Up: What's New and Noteworthy for Higher Education?](#) By AAUP counsel. These yearly legal roundups summarize and highlight significant court decisions and legal developments on this topic.

[AAUP Amicus Briefs](#). Summaries of, and links to, AAUP amicus briefs filed in cases involving academic freedom.

[Legal Cases Affecting Academic Speech](#). Summaries of important cases affecting academic speech.

[Faculty Rights in the Classroom](#). 2017. By Aaron Nisenson, AAUP counsel. An article from *Academe* magazine.

[Academic Freedom and Freedom of Information Requests](#) (.pdf). 2011. By Robert O'Neil, AAUP counsel. A review of Freedom of Information Act requests involving questions of academic freedom.

[Academic Freedom, Shared Governance, and the First Amendment after Garcetti v. Ceballos](#). (.pdf) February 2011. By Rachel Levinson, AAUP senior counsel . Presentation for Stetson University College of Law 31st Annual National Conference on Law and Higher Education.

[Academic Freedom and the First Amendment](#) . 2007. By Rachel Levinson, AAUP counsel. An informational outline.

[Academic Freedom of Students and Professors, and Political Discrimination](#). 2006. By Ann Springer, AAUP counsel. An informational outline.

[Academic Freedom and Professorial Speech](#). 2004. By Donna R. Euben, AAUP counsel. A presentation made to the 25th Annual Conference on Law & Higher Education.

[Academic Freedom of Individual Professors And Higher Education Institutions: The Current Legal Landscape](#). 2002. By Donna R. Euben, AAUP counsel. An informational outline.

[Tenure: Current Perspectives and Challenges](#). 2002. By Donna R. Euben, AAUP counsel. An informational outline.

III. AAUP Informational Resources

[Webinar on Academic Freedom in the Classroom](#). This webinar presented by Henry Reichman and Jonathan Rees gave an overview of what academic freedom in the classroom consists of, and discussed threats to freedom in the classroom.

[Speak Up, Speak Out: Protect the Faculty Voice](#). An AAUP issue campaign, with supporting material, that was undertaken to enhance academic freedom at public colleges and universities.

[Webinars on Committee A Work at the Chapter and Conference Level](#). This series of three webinars presented by Donna Young and Hans-Joerg Tiede focused on local matters related to Committee A on Academic Freedom and Tenure:

- [The AAUP Redbook](#)
- [How to Read a Faculty Handbook](#)
- [Chapter and Conference Committee A Matters](#)

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