

# Academic Freedom Statement

1. Medical educators are entitled to full freedom in research and in the publication of the results, subject to the adequate performance of their other academic duties and other relevant university policies; but research for pecuniary return must be based upon a written understanding with the institution. Any such research shall also be subject to the University's Policy on Intellectual Property accessible at [Information Technology Computing Policies](#) and [Information Technology Data Classification Policy](#).
2. Medical educators are entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing their subject, but they should be careful not to introduce into their teaching controversial matter which has no relation to their subject.
3. College and university medical educators are citizens, members of a learned profession, and officers of an educational institution. Their special position in the community imposes special obligations. As scholars and educational officers, they should remember that the public and their students may judge their profession, their professionalism and their institution by their utterances. Hence, they should at all times be accurate, should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinions of others, and when speaking as individuals, should always indicate that are not speaking for the University unless authorized to do so.