

Policy on Academic Freedom and Freedom of Expression

The School of Law is committed to protecting academic freedom and freedom of expression.

Relevant policies of UCI and the University of California pertaining to academic freedom can be found below. These policies apply to all those teaching courses in the School of Law, including full-time and part-time faculty, as well as to all others teaching in law school courses. These policies protect academic freedom in research and scholarly activities, law school governance, law related public service activities, library and information services, teaching, and client representation in clinics. Grievances regarding any claim of violation of academic freedom policies shall be adjudicated by the Academic Senate in accordance with established procedures as set forth in these policies.

- University of California, Academic Personnel Policy 010, Academic Freedom¹
- University of California, Academic Personnel Policy 011, Academic Freedom, Protection of Professional Standards, and Responsibilities of Non-Faculty Academic Appointees²
- University of California, Academic Personnel Policy 015, The Faculty Code of Conduct³

Relevant policies of UCI and the University of California pertaining to freedom of expression can be found below. These policies protect the rights of students, faculty, and staff to communicate ideas, including those that may be controversial or unpopular, through debates, demonstrations, protests, or other means. The School of Law may, consistent with this goal and the policies below, reasonably proscribe disruptive conduct that prevents or substantially interferes with its ability to carry out School of Law functions or approved activities.

- University of California, Irvine, Policy and Procedure Manual § 900-01: Free Speech at UCI Policy⁴
- University of California, Irvine Code of Student Conduct, Section 30.00, Policy on Speech and Advocacy⁵
- University of California, Irvine School of Law Academic Rules Appendix 3, Law School, University, and Campus Policies, Sections A (UCI Law Academic Honor Code), K (Principles of Community) and N (Rights of Free Speech and Academic Freedom)⁶

¹ https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/apm/apm-010.pdf

² https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/apm/apm-011.pdf

³ https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/apm/apm-015.pdf

⁴ <https://ucipolicy.ellucid.com/documents/view/125/active>

⁵ <https://conduct.uci.edu/policies/pacaos/>

⁶ <https://www.law.uci.edu/academics/registrar/academic-rules/jd/appendices/>