
Academic Freedom Policy**Statement:**

The San Juan Bautista School of Medicine affirms that institutions of higher education are conducted for the common good of its academic community. The common good depends upon the free search for truth and its free exposition. Academic freedom is essential to these purposes and applies to both teaching and research. Freedom in research is fundamental to the advancement of truth.

Teaching:

The teacher shall have full freedom in the classroom in discussing his/her subject, but should be careful not to introduce into his/her teaching controversial matters which have no relation to his/her subject. Any limitation imposed by the institution due to religious or other aims should be informed in writing at the time of hiring. Academic freedom includes the freedom to express views on matters having to do with the university, its policies, governance and on issues of public interest, observing professional ethics. When a faculty member writes or speak as citizens, she/he should make the statement indicating that is not doing it as an institutional spokesperson.

Research:

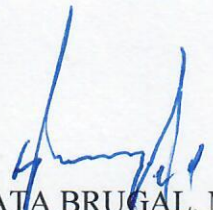
The researcher shall have full freedom of investigation, subject to the adequate performance of his/her assigned academic duties. Institution shall not place limitations upon the subject selected for the research, its publication and dissemination.

Students:

Academic freedom pertains to students as well as faculty. Students' freedom to learn shall provide appropriate opportunities and conditions in the classroom and within the institution. Students should be provided with academic freedom maintaining their responsibility for learning the content of any course of study that they enrolled and protection against improper academic evaluation.

Validity:

This policy will be valid upon approval.



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