

Article 2- ACADEMIC FREEDOM

The AAUP-AFT and the University recognize and incorporate by reference in this Agreement the principles of academic freedom as adopted by the University's Board of Governors on January 13, 1967 and as set forth in University Policy 60.5.1, last revised July 13, 2015 (as may be revised from time to time). All members of the negotiations unit are entitled to academic freedom, regardless of the media, and are covered by this Article and by University Policy 60.5.1.

The parties recognize that PERC previously has ruled in at least one matter involving the University (PERC No.91-81 (1991)) that a negotiations proposal of the Union involving academic freedom was not mandatorily negotiable. Accordingly, before the AAUP-AFT may submit a grievance to binding arbitration alleging a violation of this Article, it must first obtain a final decision on a Petition for Scope of Negotiations Determination that the alleged violation involves a mandatory subject of negotiations.