

ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Throughout its history, Binghamton has maintained a tradition of open communication and freedom of expression. It recognizes that the university is a traditional sphere of free expression fundamental to the functioning of our society. The Binghamton President's Commission on Free Speech and Academic Freedom (1992) affirms the academic freedom of students as well as professors: "Students have freedom to exercise their intellectual curiosity, to draw conclusions for themselves and to express their own opinions, no matter how controversial, [and] without fear [of reprisal]." If you feel your academic freedom has been violated, please see the [University Bulletin](https://catalog.binghamton.edu) (<https://catalog.binghamton.edu>) for academic grievance procedures.

To promote this fundamental goal, Binghamton reaffirms its identity as:

- a public institution that serves all the people
- an open community where freedom of expression is uncompromisingly protected and where civility is powerfully affirmed
- a haven where the University, by its policies and procedures and the civic spirit of its citizens, ensures that academic and co-curricular activities take place in an environment of civility and tolerance