

Faculty Council Academic Freedom Forum

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As an academic community, Colorado State University embraces certain foundational principles that guide our behaviors. Foremost among these is academic freedom for the faculty, a longstanding cornerstone of public higher education in our country. Academic freedom is the freedom of the faculty to discuss all relevant matters in the classroom, to explore all avenues of scholarship, research, and creative expression, to speak or write on matters of public concern as well as on matters related to professional duties and the functioning of the University. These freedoms come with responsibilities; faculty are expected to follow professional standards for discourse and publication, to indicate when speaking on matters of public interest that they are not speaking on behalf of the institution, and to conduct themselves in a civil and professional manner consistent with the normal functioning of the University.

- ***Preface, Academic Faculty and Administrative Professional Manual***



Expectations

- Engage in thoughtful, productive discussion
- Ask questions pertaining to academic freedom



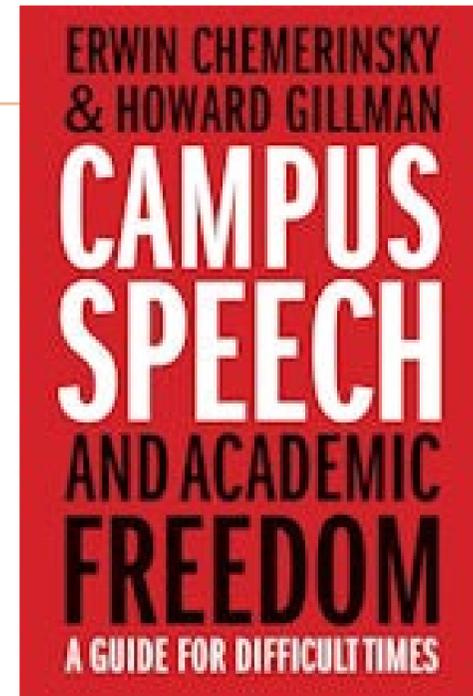
Resources

- **Academic Faculty and Administrative Professional Manual**
 - **Section E – Faculty**
 - **Section E.8 – Academic Freedom**
 - **Section E.10 – Faculty Tenure Policy**
 - **E.10.2 Rationale for Tenure**
 - **E.10.2 Policies on Conferring Tenure**
 - **Section E.14 – Performance Reviews**
 - **Section E. 15 – Disciplinary Action for Tenured Faculty**

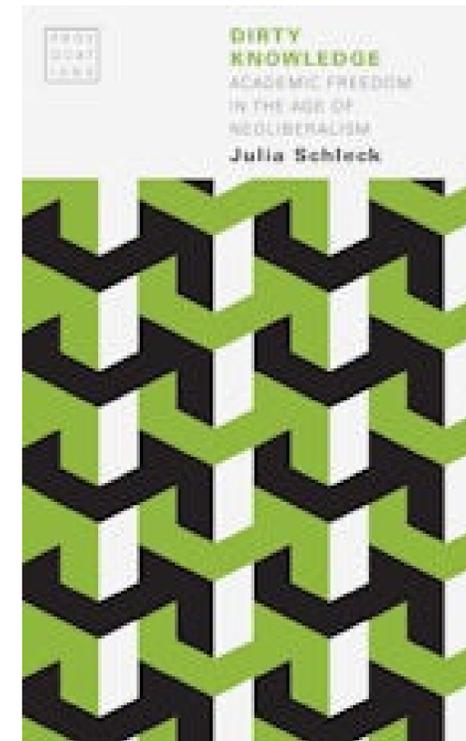


Resources

[Campus Speech and Academic Freedom](#)



[Dirty Knowledge - Nebraska Press](#)



AAUP: <https://www.aaup.org/issues-higher-education/academic-freedom>





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