


PROCEDURE MANUAL

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PURPOSE

Louisiana Delta Community College is committed to the principle of academic freedom and follows the **LCTCS policy 1.038 Rights, Duties, and Responsibilities of Academic Staff** (see below). This principle acknowledges the right of a faculty member to those ideals. The principle also includes the right of a member of the faculty to exercise in speaking, writing and action outside the College the ordinary rights of the American citizen, but it does not decrease the responsibility and accountability the member of the academic staff bears to the College, the state and the nation.

LCTCS Academic Policy 1.038: Rights, Duties and Responsibilities of the Academic Staff

Academic Freedom. The Louisiana Community and Technical College System is committed to the principle of academic freedom. The principle acknowledges the right of a teacher to explore fully within the field of his/her subject as he/she believes to represent the truth. The principle also includes the right of a member of the academic staff of the System to exercise in speaking, writing, and action outside the System the ordinary rights of the American citizen, but it does not decrease the responsibility and accountability which the member of the academic staff bears to the system, the state, and the nation.

Among the many implicit responsibilities which must be assumed by those enjoying the privileges of academic freedom shall be that of refraining from insisting upon the adoption by students or others of any particular point of view as authoritative in controversial issues.