

# FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

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## AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

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The right of all students and individuals to seek knowledge, debate ideas, form opinions and express their views is an important part of our University culture.

University policy, state law, and U.S. and State Constitutions allow individuals and groups the opportunity to express their points of view on our campus. Such expression, subject to restrictions with regard to time, place, and manner, is protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Even expression that may be disturbing or offensive to the listener or viewer is protected by the First Amendment, so long as the expression does not infringe upon the individual rights of others.

FSU does not allow activity that is illegal or that poses a genuine threat to the University community of students, staff, and visitors. The University can prohibit discrimination and criminal threats or conduct, and can impose reasonable and content-neutral time, place, and manner restrictions.

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FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY VALUES CIVIL DISCOURSE AND DEBATE, AND ENCOURAGES ALL STUDENTS TO EXPRESS THEIR IDEAS AND OPINIONS.

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### GET INVOLVED AND USE YOUR VOICE!

Florida State has over 700 student organizations to build community and network with those with the same interests, hobbies, and values. Visit [studentgroups.fsu.edu](http://studentgroups.fsu.edu) to explore your opportunities!

### HOST YOUR OWN EVENT!

There are many opportunities to speak up, share your thoughts, and utilize your free speech!

Visit [union.fsu.edu/sac/eventplanning](http://union.fsu.edu/sac/eventplanning) to get started!

### PARTICIPATE IN AN NCBI WORKSHOP!

NCBI is an international leadership training that works to eliminate prejudice and discrimination throughout the world. Learn more about yourself and how to bridge our differences at [ncbi.fsu.edu](http://ncbi.fsu.edu)

### REQUEST A WORKSHOP!

The Social Change Peer Educators can help your RSO/friends learn more about identity, leadership, and becoming a change agent. For more information, visit [thecenter.fsu.edu/diversity/social-change-peer-educators](http://thecenter.fsu.edu/diversity/social-change-peer-educators)

### GET MOVING!

Sign up for a group fitness class, or head to the Leach or FMC! [campusrec.fsu.edu](http://campusrec.fsu.edu)

### TALK WITH SOMEONE!

The University Counseling Center on the 2nd Floor Askew Student Life Center welcomes walk-ins from 8am-4pm.

Talk to someone 24/7 at [850.644.TALK \(8255\)](tel:850.644.TALK)

### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST AMENDMENT!

The Freedom Forum Institute's First Amendment Center ([freedomforuminstitute.org/first-amendment-center/](http://freedomforuminstitute.org/first-amendment-center/)) and the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education ([thefire.org](http://thefire.org)) has resources.

### SHARE YOUR CONCERNS!

Anyone can report concerning behaviors, acts of discrimination, or a violation of the posting policy at [report.fsu.edu](http://report.fsu.edu). The University will follow up as it is able and connect students to resources.

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LEARN MORE ABOUT FSU'S POSTING, CHALKING, ACTIVE DISTRIBUTION, AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION RULES AND REGULATIONS AT [POSTING.FSU.EDU](http://POSTING.FSU.EDU)

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