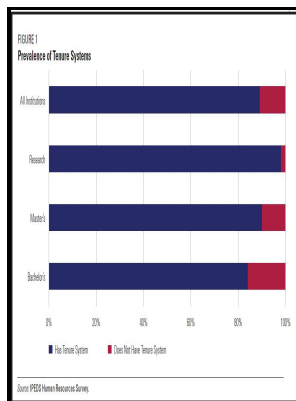


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The Limits of Academic Freedom

Academic freedom, the freedom of teachers and students to teach, study, and pursue knowledge and research without unreasonable interference or restriction from law, institutional regulations, or public pressure. Until the 18th century the Roman Catholic church and, in some areas, its Protestant successors exerted over universities or certain members of their faculties.

Why Academic Freedom is Important to Everyone (Not Just Academics)

They argued that the verdict was inconsistent with the jury's findings and not supported by the evidence.

What is academic? What is freedom?

Today, most Canadian collective agreements between faculty associations and universities feature similar CAUT boilerplate language about academic freedom. The University has long left behind those who think, as some still do, that faculty cannot be held accountable for their work.

Why Academic Freedom is Important to Everyone (Not Just Academics)

Teaching the debates is important but by no means sufficient. In countries without democratic traditions, academic freedom may be unreliably granted and unevenly distributed. Academic freedom is both more limited and more protected than freedom of speech.

The Limits of Academic Freedom

When Sweezy persisted in his refusal to talk about others and about his lecture, he was held in of court and sent to the Merrimack County jail.

Why Academic Freedom is Important to Everyone (Not Just Academics)

In fact, academic freedom has been claimed as an excuse for the most abusive and uncollegial behavior—shouting at colleagues, publicly berating

students or staff members, defaming supervisors or other university administrators, shirking professional duties. Then, in October, the board of trustees voted, without explanation, to limit Jeffries's current appointment as chair to one year instead of the customary three.

Do students have academic freedom? (And other issues with the proposed legal definition of 'academic freedom')

This refers specifically to academic subjects and is not a blanket protection for any and all speech in any venue. Colleges may determine, for example, what subject matter gets taught and who can teach it; establish their own admission criteria and graduation requirements; and develop their own academic mission and priorities. To learn what it means to be free.

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