Statement of Academic Freedom

RIT is a learning community, and much of our learning comes from each other. We teach what we know and how to create new knowledge. We educate and innovate, exploring new ideas and new ways technology can better our lives.

Respect for what others say and write, even if we disagree, is a cornerstone of our campus community. Colleges and universities, of all organizations, must remain forums for open and respected discussion of controversial issues.

RIT takes no official position on the views independently expressed by its faculty members in the course of their research. The test for their research and innovations is how those fare with their peers, those trained in the disciplines in which they work.

The search for truth is the animating force of a university, and RIT is committed to maintaining the civility and freedom of expression necessary to ensure that the members of our learning community have the support they need to continue to strive for truth.