SUBJECT: Academic Freedom and Tenure

I. Statement of Policy

Midland College recognizes the principle of academic freedom. Faculty members are entitled to freedom in discussing their subject, but they should exercise caution in teaching controversial matter which has no relation to their subject.

Academic freedom is essential to fulfilling the objectives of an educational institution. It is fundamental to teaching for the protection of the rights of the faculty member who is teaching and of the student who is learning. Implicit in the principle of academic freedom are the corollary responsibilities of the faculty who enjoy that freedom. A faculty member should at all times be accurate, exercise appropriate restraint, show respect for the opinions of others, and make every effort to indicate that he or she does not speak for the institution. Academic freedom and academic responsibility are interdependent.

II. Tenure

Midland College does not grant tenure.