

CAFFECoR

Committee on Academic Freedom,
Freedom of Expression and
Community Responsibility

2010-2011 Membership

- Alain Diebold(2012) Nanoscale Science
- Saurav Dutta (2012) School of Business
- Pradeep Haldar (2012) Nanoscale Engineering
- Ryan King (2011) Sociology
- Malcolm Sherman (2012) Mathematics and Statistics
- Leonard Slade (2012) Africana Studies
- Joseph Bernier (2012) Counseling Center
- Geoffrey Gabriel (2011) Affirmative Action
- Aran Mull (2011) UPD
- Jay Oddi (2012) Residential Life
- Larry Snyder (2012) Chemistry (O'Leary Faculty)

CAFFECoR Responsibilities

- VII.7.3.2.2. CAFFECoR shall be responsible for establishing and interpreting policies and procedures concerning academic freedom and ethics which shall govern the conduct of the University community, and also for those matters for which it is given responsibility by negotiated employment conditions.
- VII.7.3.2.3. CAFFECoR shall serve as a hearing body available to those members of the University Community who feel that their freedom of expression has been unfairly suppressed.
- VII.7.3.2.4. CAFFECoR shall be responsible for establishing procedures for investigating and for oversight of investigation of charges brought against members of the Faculty as specified in the *Faculty Bylaws* Article I, Section 2.2.4, except as determined by CERS to be primarily matters of misconduct in scholarship and research, or as specified by other University regulations. Issues may be brought to the Chair of CAFFECoR, who shall then call a meeting as needed.

2009-2010 Activity

- Examination of the “Community Rights and Responsibilities” and suggested changes to the University Council.
- Re-consideration of 0304-25 bill on Freedom of Speech on campus
- Workshop for Res Life staff on Freedom of Speech in the dorms
- Hearing of two student grievances, one involving freedom of speech in the dormitories and one involving responsibilities and freedoms of a Middle Earth board member

2010-2011 Challenges

- Re-examination of the proposal to eliminate the “Principles of a Just Community” document from all university documents
- Establishing a *formal procedure* for investigating and for oversight of investigation of charges brought against members of the Faculty
- Establishing a *formal procedure* for hearing members of the University Community who feel that their freedom of expression has been unfairly suppressed