

**[DRAFT] Faculty Senate Resolution on Freedom in Teaching
Eastern Oregon University Faculty Senate
January 16, 2018**

Whereas the faculty are charged with the development and implementation of curriculum; and

Whereas academic freedom is foundational to effective pedagogy; and

Whereas changes to policies that relate to classroom management and teaching should be driven by faculty through shared governance;

Be it resolved:

1) that the November 15, 2017 draft memo “Expectations for Teaching and Library Faculty” should be rescinded in full, along with any prior versions of the memo that remain in circulation at EOU;

2) that any future such changes proposed to academic policy, including any shared expectations regarding the use of educational technology, be vetted and approved by faculty through the appropriate shared governance channels;

(3) that the Faculty Senate affirms faculty members’ rights to freedom in teaching, including but not limited to the right of the faculty to select the materials, determine the approach to the subject, make the assignments, and assess student academic performance in teaching activities for which they are individually responsible.