

Draft of a statement of faculty responsibilities and conduct

Two public hearings on the tentative statement of faculty responsibilities and conduct will be held Monday in the Nebraska Union.

The first will be from 9:30 a.m. until noon; the second will begin at 7 p.m. and continue as long as necessary.

Robert E. Dewey, chairman of the Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Privilege and Tenure, proposed the statement at the Faculty Senate meeting Tuesday. At that time he said he was anxious to receive criticism and suggestions on the statement.

The meetings are open to all members of the University community. Dewey said he is seeking "input from all concerned people."

Academic Privilege and Tenure Committee Draft of a Statement of Faculty Responsibilities and Conduct.

A. General responsibilities of faculty members:

1. To assure the people of Nebraska that the following provisions are implemented through the procedures of the student body, faculty, administration, and Board of Regents.
2. To uphold and defend academic freedom in the spirit of the "Statement of Principles," adopted by the Board of Regents in 1953.
3. To concern themselves with the general welfare of the University and to accept appropriate responsibility in the governance of the University and its parts.
4. To seek appropriate clarification or

change in the event they feel that University regulations or the policies are ambiguous, contradictory, or in need of revision.

5. To observe those regulations duly established for the general welfare of the University.

B. Responsibilities of faculty members to students:

1. To educate, provide instruction, or to train skills in their respective disciplines.
2. To maintain competence in the subject matter, both by adequate preparation for each class meeting and by acquiring knowledge of current developments in their respective fields.
3. To re-examine continually and critically the subject matter offered in their courses, their teaching methods and the interrelations of their subject with other disciplines. Each faculty member has a responsibility to study proposals for innovative changes and where, in his judgment appropriate, participate in experimental efforts designed to improve higher education.
4. To offer instruction appropriately related to the titles and descriptions of the courses for which they are individually responsible. This does not preclude unstructured and experimental education.
5. To meet all regularly scheduled classes or provide a reasonable alternative related to the educational objectives of the course. Personal or professional and other University activities may require that a faculty member miss scheduled classes; it is the responsibility of both the faculty member and the appropriately designed University ad-

ministrative officer to see that students enrolled in such courses have the opportunity to obtain the instruction they rightfully expect in that subject.

6. To be available at announced times for student consultation. Assigned formal duties involving student registration and advisement should be performed with knowledge and care. Before talking with students about confidential matters which involve possible criminal matters which civil law suits, a teacher or other representative of the University must warn them that no privilege exists in Nebraska between teacher and student as exists for example between attorney and client, or between physician and patient.

7. To inform students of the standards, requirements, and grading procedure at the beginning of his course. Each faculty member shall make every reasonable effort to assure that his evaluation of students reflects their education achievements.

8. To encourage an atmosphere of free and open inquiry and to refrain from using the classroom for propaganda purposes.

9. To treat all students with dignity and respect.

C. Prohibited conduct for faculty members:

1. Intentional obstruction or disruption of teaching or other educational activities on the University campus or other University property used for educational purposes.
2. Intentional obstruction which unreasonably interferes with the freedom of movement, both pedestrian and

vehicular, on the University campus or other University property used for educational purposes.

3. Possession or use of fire arms, explosives, dangerous chemicals or other dangerous weapons or instrumentalities on the campus or other University property used for educational purposes which is in contravention of law or institutional regulation.

4. Intentional detention or physical abuse of any person or conduct which is intended to threaten imminent bodily harm or endanger the health of any person on any property owned or controlled by the University.

5. Malicious damage or misuse or theft to or of University property, or the property of any person where such property is located on University owned or controlled property.

6. Disciplinary action should be initiated against faculty members and administrative staff who violate these rules. Academic due process procedures will prevail in all disciplinary cases.

NOTE: Substantial portions of parts A and B are based upon University of Nebraska at Omaha and a preliminary draft of the Liaison Committee of the Lincoln Campus. Part C is based on the Report of the New York AAP Conference and the University of Washington Report of 4 June 1970. After hearings are concluded the Academic Privilege and Tenure Committee anticipates drawing up in cooperation with the Executive Committee of the University of Nebraska at Omaha a final draft which will be presented to both facilities for approval.

Calendar

Friday, Oct. 16

Sculpture Forum — Symposium (King, Hall and Nevelson), 2:30 Sheldon Gallery Auditorium, 12th and R.
ASUN "Time Out" 10:30 a.m. speaker Larry Magid, Nebraska Union Ballroom.
ASUN "Time Out" 1:30 p.m. speaker Michael Litten, Nebraska Union Ballroom.
ASUN "Time Out" 3:30 p.m. speaker Florence Kennedy, Nebraska Union Ballroom.
ASUN "Time Out" 7:30 p.m. Group Discussion, Rm. 242, Nebraska Union.
Coffee House: 8 p.m. "Bittersweet", Nebraska Union.
Weekend film series: 7 and 9 p.m. "In the Heat of the Night", Nebraska Union Auditorium.

Saturday, Oct. 17

ASUN "Time Out" 1:30 p.m. "Ecology as a Local Issue", Nebraska Union Ballroom.
ASUN "Time Out" 3:30 p.m. Hunger and Poverty — Views from Below the Poverty Line, Nebraska Union Ballroom.
Medical college admission test 8 a.m. Biochemistry Building.
Football: Nebraska at Kansas, airport rally when team returns.
Freshman football: Nebraska at McCook Jr. College.
International Club Square Dance 8 p.m. Union Ballroom.
Senior Information Days, 9 a.m., Centennial Room, Union.

Sunday, Oct. 18

Weekend film series: 7 and 9 p.m., "In the Heat of the Night", Union Small Auditorium.

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Med school Thone to initiate program

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towards student protest. "I was a first-class rowdy when I was here," he remarked. But the candidate added that when protest involved destruction, strict enforcement of the law was necessary.

Thone said that students are much more politically active than when he went to school (he is a 1960 NU law school graduate). "We were more rah-rah fun guys when I was here," he said.

Thone believes that protests such as the one directed at General Westmoreland's recent visit are "not too effective." And he indicated that in his opinion Governor Tiemann's rebuke of the demonstration was too strong.

University of Nebraska Medical Center students will receive training as resident physicians in four outstate Nebraska hospitals starting next July.

The Board of Regents Monday approved agreements with hospitals in Crete, Friend, Kearney and Scottsbluff "to enhance the training of family practice physicians."

Teaching of the residents will be under the direction of the University, Medical Center President Dr. Cecil L. Wittson said.

He said the affiliation agreements are designed to supplement the family practice education program by providing community settings in outstate areas.

Internat'l meals open to public

The University Y.W.C.A. invites all students and faculty to weekly International Lunch-

eons at U.H.M.E. The meal is served 12 noon-12:30 p.m. Thursdays.

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Council sponsors series

The Teaching Council plans to sponsor a series of presentations this year dealing with some of the newer instructional developments on the Nebraska Campus, according to Sue Buffalo of the Department of Adult and Continuing Education.

Presentations will be made by faculty members involved in these new developments, she said. The first will be given by Dr. Don Jensen, Professor of Psychology, on the psychology of teaching by testing.

The first session is planned for Thursday, Oct. 22, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in 102 Andrews Hall. Following the presentation there will be a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the system being presented, the type of equipment and material required, if any, and other information which interested students and faculty members may wish to obtain, she said.

All students and faculty members interested in this particular type of instructional development are invited to attend.

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