

UNITED ACADEMICS PROPOSAL
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ARTICLE 50
ETHICS and PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Section 1. Preamble. All persons affiliated with the University have the obligation to uphold the functionality, dignity, and integrity of the University. To fulfill that obligation, faculty members must maintain an environment conducive to integrity in research, scholarly and creative activity; teaching and learning; and service; and conduct themselves at all times with honesty and integrity.

Faculty members should be effective teachers in keeping with the standards of each discipline; demonstrate respect for each student and thoroughly and fairly evaluate student performance in a timely manner; and avoid the exploitation of any student for private or personal advantage. Faculty members also should seek to develop and improve their scholarly competence in research and creative activity; and exercise critical self-discipline and judgment. In exchange of criticism and ideas, faculty members must show due respect for the opinions of others, practice intellectual honesty and avoid plagiarism, fabrication, falsification or deception.

Section 2 1. Adherence to Law. Bargaining unit faculty members are responsible for becoming familiar with the laws and regulations pertinent to their areas of responsibility and professional competence and for ensuring that they are in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations at all times. For bargaining unit faculty members engaged in federally funded research, this means ensuring that all required reports are complete, accurate and timely, and that funds are used exclusively for legitimate and lawful purposes.

Section 3 2. Accurate and Original Work. Bargaining faculty members will not plagiarize or fabricate work, and will engage in unapproved falsification or deception in any aspect of their teaching; research, scholarship or creative activity; or service activities.