



EUA Annual Conference 2017 Panel on Autonomy and Academic Freedom

Scholars at Risk Network

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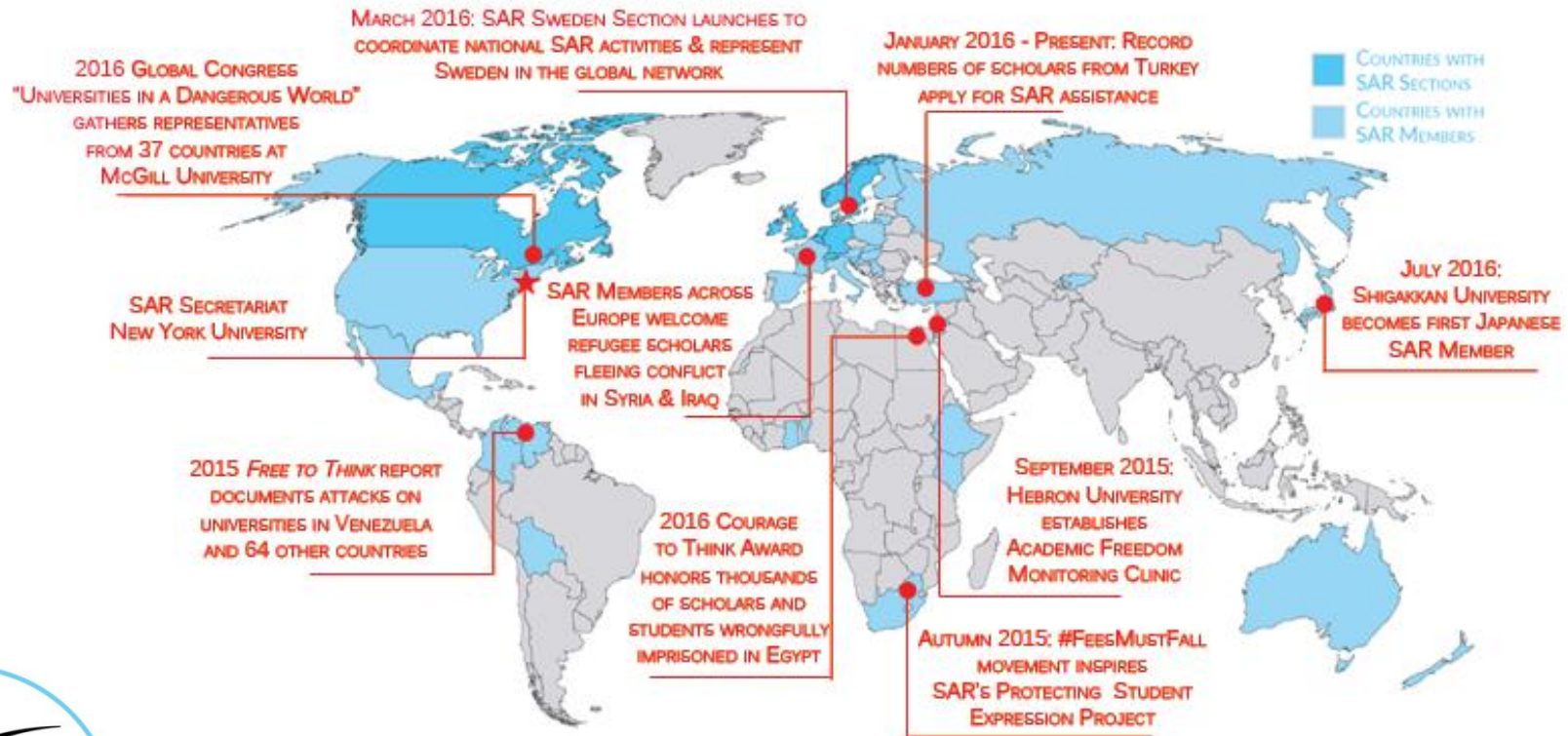


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THE NETWORK

Over **450 institutions in 35 countries**, including 'sections' in Canada, Ireland, Netherlands & Belgium (with UAF), Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom (with CARA), Germany, USA. Others in formation.



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THE ACTIVITIES

As SAR members, university leadership, staff, faculty, and students have the opportunity to actively engage in:



Protection

- hosting threatened scholars for temporary academic visits
- referring scholars to the network for assistance



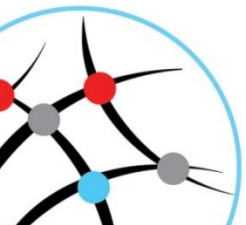
Advocacy

- offering Student Advocacy Seminars to teach real-world advocacy skills
- supporting scholars in prison by writing letters of appeal
- work with the SAR Academic Freedom Monitoring Project



Learning

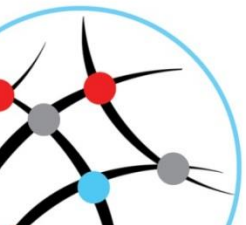
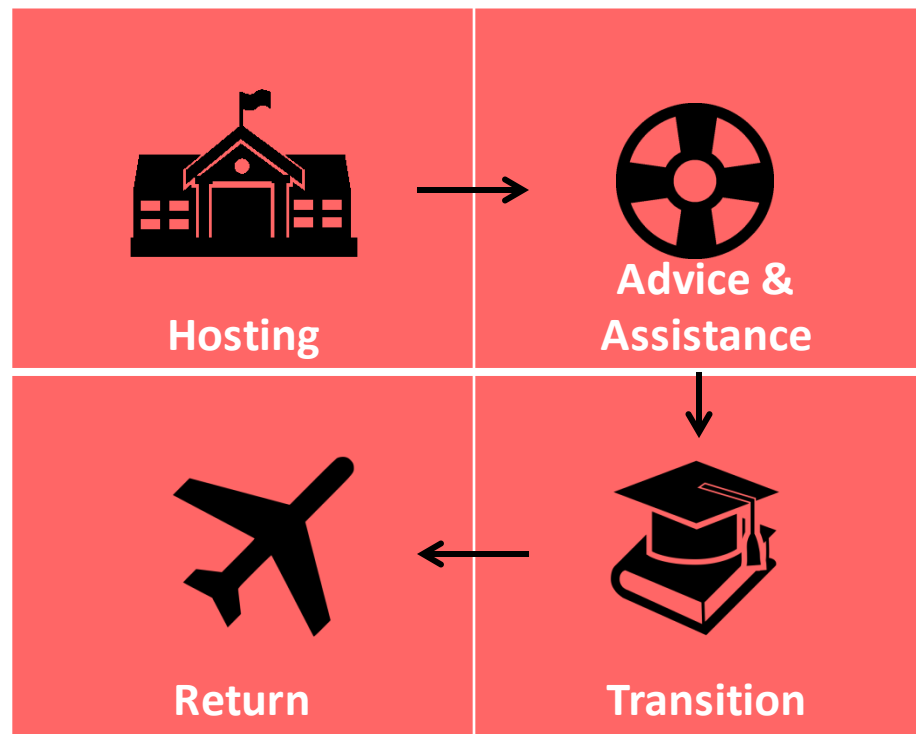
- attending SAR conferences and workshops
- inviting SAR scholars to share their stories on campus
- joining research groups looking at pressing issues facing international higher education





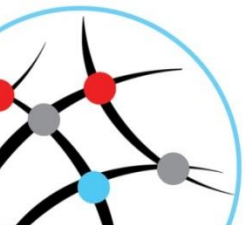
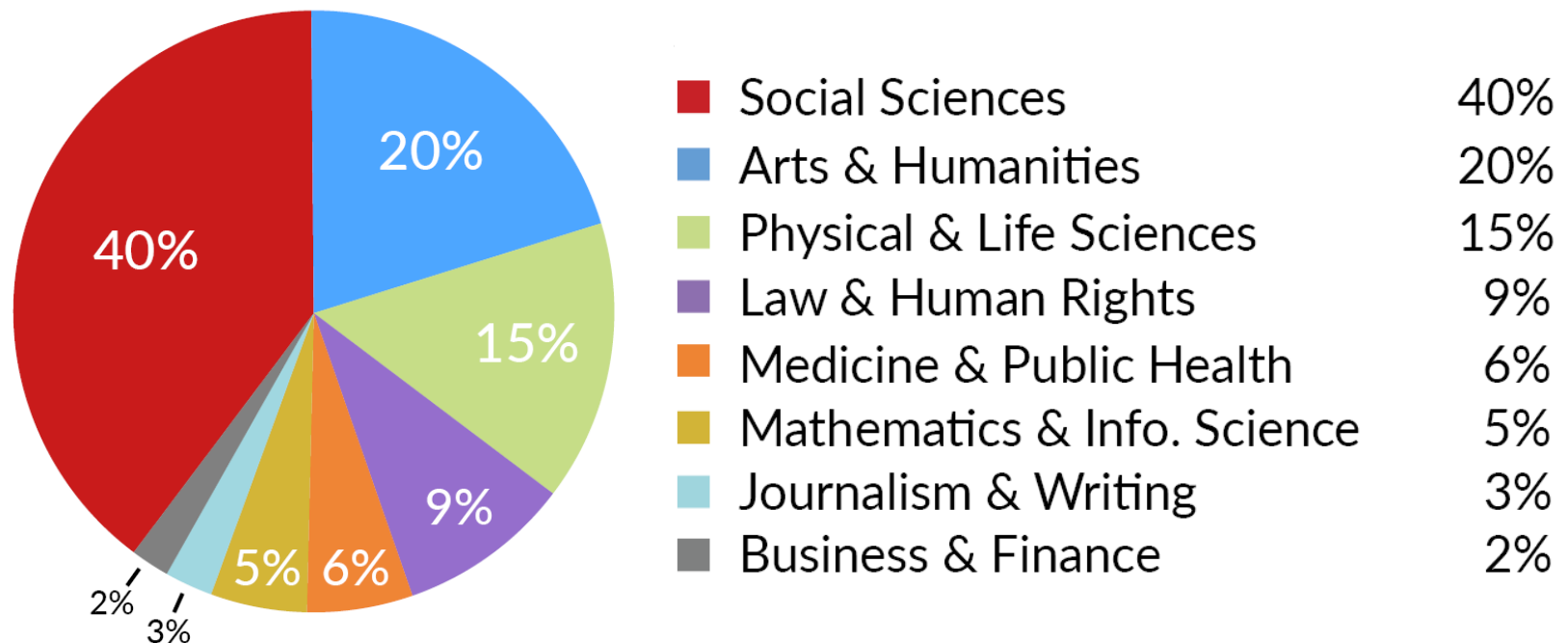
PROTECTION

SAR nominates candidates for temporary placements at institutions across the global network.



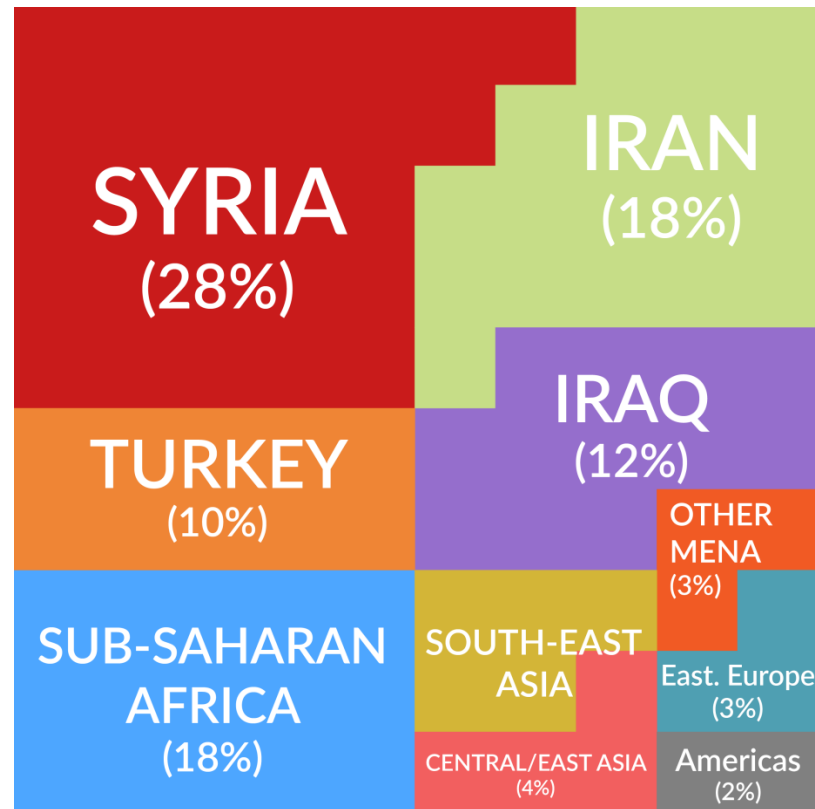
SCHOLAR DISCIPLINES

In 2016, SAR received a record number of applications for assistance – 560 – and arranged placements for 108 scholars from a wide variety of disciplines.



SCHOLAR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

SAR currently provides assistance to threatened scholars from over 25 countries around the world.

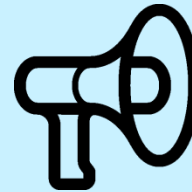


ADVOCACY

SAR's advocacy programs call attention to attacks on higher education communities and the need to promote academic freedom.



**Action Alerts &
Campaigns**



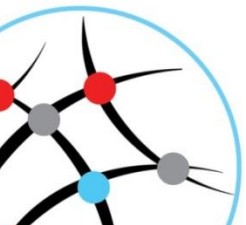
**Student Advocacy
Seminars**



**Academic Freedom
Monitoring Project**









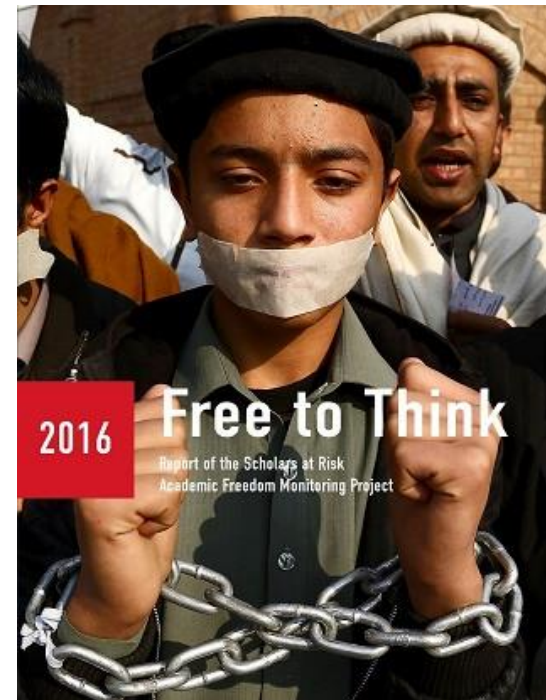
Publications





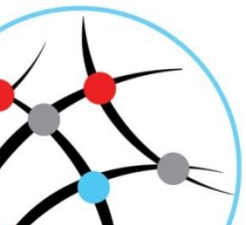
ADVOCACY: *Free to Think 2016*

REPORTED ATTACKS ON HIGHER EDUCATION		
MAY 1, 2015 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2016		
	Killings, Violence, Disappearances	40
	Imprisonment	39
	Prosecution	33
	Loss of Position	17
	Travel Restrictions	9
	Other	20
Total		158



<http://monitoring.academicfreedom.info/>

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ADVOCACY: Joint statements

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GET HELP GET INVOLVED GIVE TODAY

Protecting scholars and the freedom to think, question and share ideas

Turkey: Detained higher education professionals at risk of torture

August 2, 2016 -- Scholars at Risk (SAR) is gravely concerned about sweeping actions against Turkey's higher education sector, including most recently prolonged incommunicado of torture and ill-treatment of hundreds of professionals, in violation of Turkey's obligations and international law.

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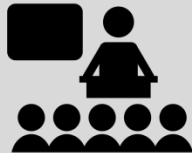


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LEARNING

SAR convenes faculty, students and professionals to join a growing conversation around human rights and university values.



Speaker Series



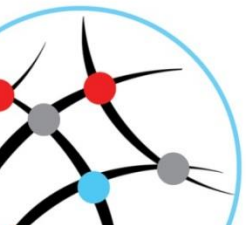
Workshops



Conferences



Research Groups

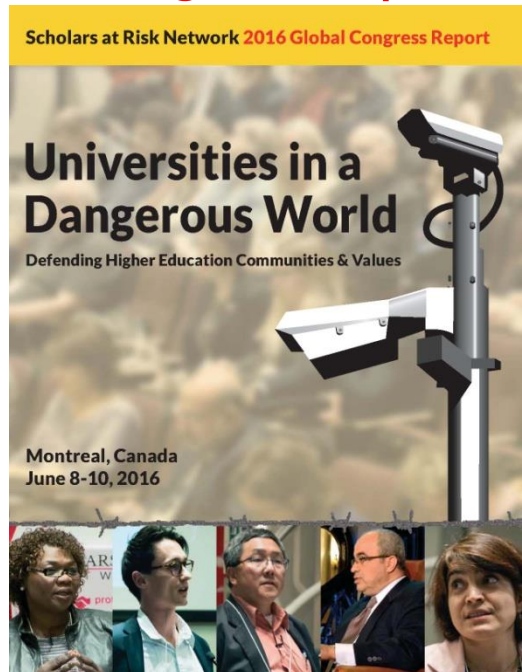




LEARNING: Global Congress

SAR's biennial global network congress convenes faculty, students and professionals in a conversation around higher education security and values

Montreal 2016 Congress report



Berlin 2018

Save the date: April 23-26, 2018

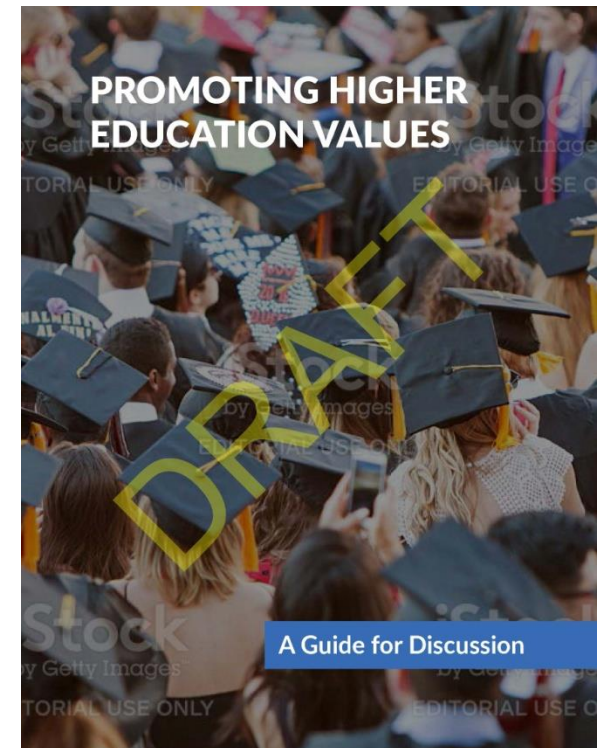




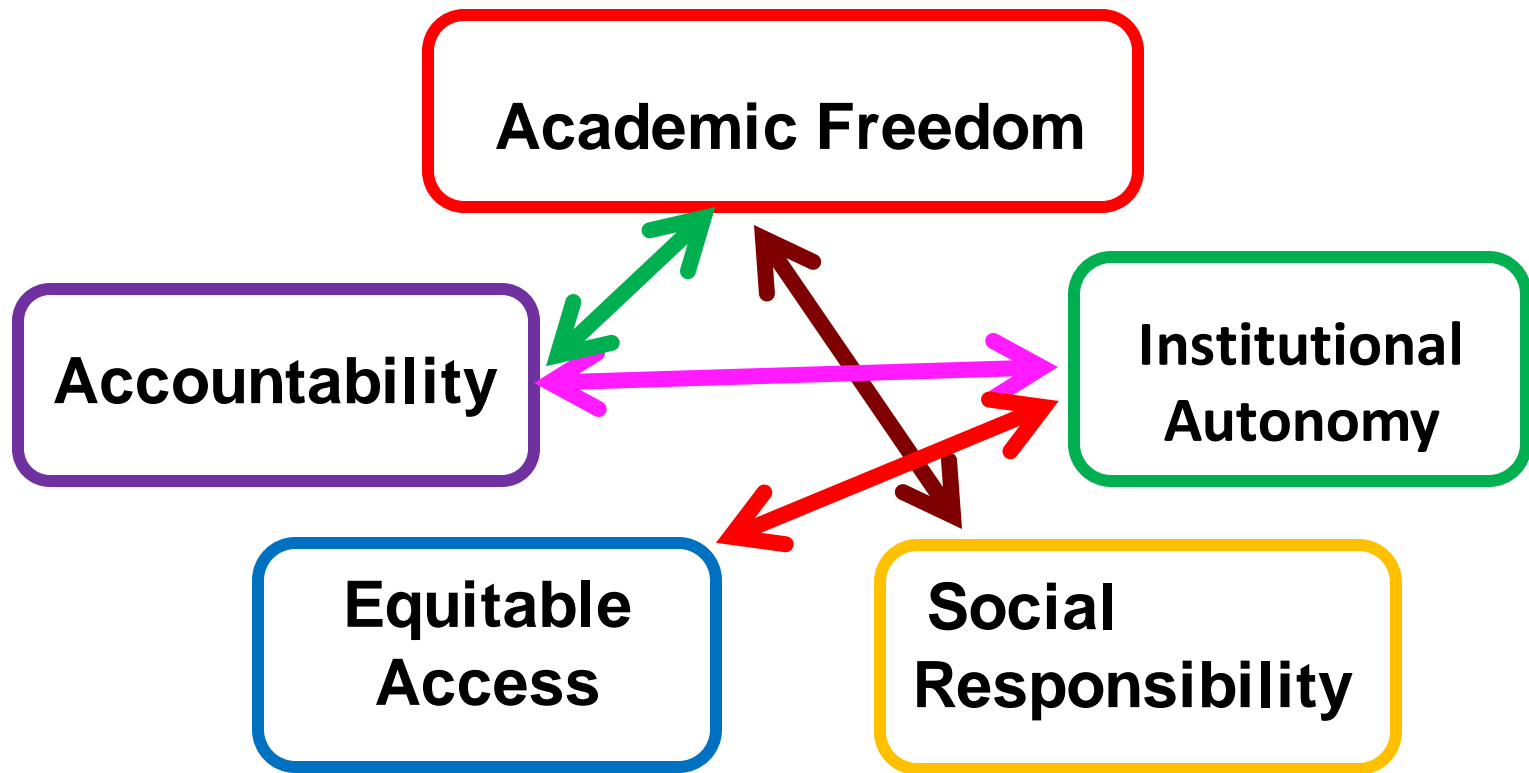
LEARNING: Promoting Higher Ed Values

SAR convenes faculty, students and professionals to join working groups and projects on issues of higher education values.

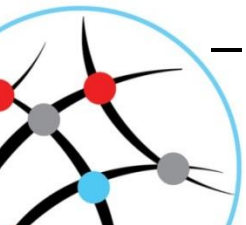
- SAR-coordinated working group & related workshops
- Values discussion guide & toolkit
- Academic Refuge Erasmus+ project Staff training and MOOC (2016-19)
<https://www.uio.no/english/about/global/globally-engaged/academic-refuge/>
- Inviting case examples, participation, event co-organizers



Core Higher Education Values







- **Organisational autonomy**
 - Recent sudden changes in national contexts
 - Elected leaders make universities less vulnerable to political change
- **Financial autonomy**
 - Basic public funding vs. external funding – Which one gives most academic freedom?
- **Staffing autonomy**
 - Is non-permanent positions limiting the academic freedom of the individual researcher?
- **Academic autonomy**
 - Quality assurance vs. autonomy?
 - Academic freedom vs. other university values?



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