

# Student Rights

The classroom environment should encourage free discussion, inquiry, and expression. Student performance must be evaluated on the basis of academic performance. At the same time, students are responsible for maintaining standards of academic performance established for each course in which they are enrolled. Students are responsible for learning the content and maintaining academic standards for any course of study, but in so doing, they have the right to take substantiated exception to the data or views presented in class, and they are responsible for learning the content of any course of study for which they are enrolled. Students will be graded not on the basis of their political, religious or ideological beliefs, but on the basis of their reasoned answers and appropriate knowledge of the subjects and disciplines they study, and in accordance with the academic standards set forth in course syllabi. Information about the personal views, beliefs, and political associations of students which instructors, advisors and counselors learn in their course of work should be considered confidential.