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ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND RIGHTS POLICY

Istanbul Okan University regards academic freedom, fundamental rights and freedoms, and freedom of thought as core institutional values. It aims to conduct teaching, research, publication and community engagement in accordance with freedom of expression, critical thinking, scientific autonomy and mutual respect. It adopts pluralism, ethical responsibility and respect for fundamental rights across academic life.

Policy Core Actions;

- Protect and develop academic freedom as an institutional value.
- Ensure freedom of thought in teaching and learning and support critical thinking.
- Safeguard scientific autonomy and strengthen academic independence in research and publication.
- Protect researchers' freedom to choose topics, conduct studies and publish results.
- Safeguard freedom of thought and expression in the academic community within mutual respect and ethical responsibility.
- Support diversity of ideas, open debate and pluralism.
- Develop and promote academic integrity, ethical principles and mutual respect.
- Support participation in academic and professional organizations and strengthen academic representation.
- Continuously improve academic freedom practices through the PDCA cycle

