Academic Freedom

The Agreement between the University of Hawai'i Professional Assembly and the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i states in Article IX A that "Faculty Members are entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing subjects of expertise, in the conduct of research in their field of special competence, and in the publication of the results of their research." It also states in Article IV A that "Faculty Members are responsible for maintaining high professional standards of scholarship and instruction in their field of special competence. In giving instruction upon controversial matters, Faculty Members are expected to set forth justly and without suppression the differing opinions of other investigators, and in their conclusions provide factual or other scholarly sources for such conclusions. Faculty members should be careful not to introduce into their teaching controversial matters that have no relation to their subject." This Article also states that "When speaking and acting as citizens, Faculty Members shall take suitable precaution to assure that personal utterances or actions are not construed as representing the University."