



Faculty Relations Corner: Freedom of Expression

Dear Faculty Relations: From cancel culture to campus protests to the upcoming election, it feels like we are in a crucible for free speech rights. What constitutes free speech on campus and how can I make sure to respect those rights while taking care of myself and my students? – *I Respect Free Speech*

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Opportunities for All Faculty

Connect with Your Colleagues

Kick off the semester by meeting new colleagues at our reception for new faculty! [Faculty SPACE](#) is an agenda-free social event that provides opportunities for faculty members to foster connections and harness a sense of belonging through meeting and networking with other faculty at CU Boulder. We hope you'll join us, and please extend the invitation to your colleagues!

New Faculty Reception, Aug. 19, 4:15-5

Location: [Sustainability, Energy and Environment Complex \(SEEC\) Lobby](#)

Fall Foliage Walk, Sep. 19, 12-1

Location: Meet outside the Old Main building

Questions? Contact Faculty Fellow [Sam Boyd](#)

Interested in Mentorship for the Coming Year?

Consider joining the Across CU Mentoring (ACUMent) program this upcoming academic year! ACUMent offers two mentoring formats: **Mentor Matches** pair faculty with experienced mentors for advice, support, and encouragement in areas of aligned interests. **Peer Circles** are small groups of 5-7 faculty members engaging in mutual mentoring through focused discussions based on shared interests or identities. [Learn more about ACUMent](#).

If you are interested in becoming a mentor, a mentee, or you'd like to participate in a peer circle, please [submit your application](#) by **Sep. 6**. Faculty at all career stages may apply.

Questions? Contact [our FDS Team](#)

Want to Write More in 2024?

Faculty Affairs is organizing writing groups of three to six members to support your writing productivity. Writing groups for faculty can take several different forms with varied goals, including accountability for getting writing done; shared time for writing; space for talking about the writing process and productivity tips; or space for sharing work and receiving feedback.

Questions? Contact Faculty Fellow [Michaele Ferguson](#)



[Sign up](#) by **Sep. 6** to join a group.



To learn more about NCFDD opportunities for CU Boulder faculty, visit [our website](#).

Questions? Contact [Maribeth Van Haute](#)

National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (NCFDD)

Use your [free NCFDD membership](#) to access outstanding professional development workshops. We especially want to highlight the following sessions:

- [Cultivating Your Network of Mentors, Sponsors, and Collaborators](#)
Today! Aug. 14, 12-1:30
- [Overcoming Academic Perfectionism](#)
Sep. 12, 12-1:30

Just in Time

Start the year strong by revisiting our Dear Faculty Relations articles "[Creating Collaborative Classroom Norms](#)" and "[Creating a Sense of Belonging](#)." These quick reads offer practical tips to engage students by setting a positive, inclusive classroom environment from day one.

Early-Career Faculty



[Thriving in the First Year: What I Wish I Had Known \(Tenure-track faculty session\)](#)

Sep. 13, 11-12, Zoom

[Thriving in the First Year \(Teaching & clinical faculty\)](#)

Sep. 13, 12-1, CASE E422

[Thriving in the Classroom: Handling Challenges](#)

Oct. 10, 12:30-1:30, Zoom

[Thriving in Research & Creative Work: Resources to Support You as a Scholar](#)

Nov. 1, 12-1, Zoom

Questions? Contact Faculty Fellow [Joëlle Cruz](#)

Thriving at CU Series

A monthly workshop series for tenure-track, teaching, and clinical faculty who are in their first three years at CU Boulder. Meet other new faculty and get your questions answered! Participate in at least eight "Thriving at CU" sessions over your first three years and earn a faculty development certificate.

Women+ Faculty

Women+ Faculty Afternoon Social

Join us for a casual, no-agenda chat over coffee and tea to catch up with old friends or make some new ones! This event is oriented for women, non-binary, and genderqueer faculty. Pre-registration is not required.

Sep. 9, 3-4:30, CASE Chancellor's Hall

Questions? Contact Faculty Fellow [Michaele Ferguson](#)

International Faculty

Global Minds, Local Connections: International Faculty Coffee Social Hour

[Faculty Affairs](#) and [International Student and Scholar Services](#) invite all international faculty to enjoy conversation, community, and light refreshments with colleagues from across the globe. Pre-registration is not required. Join us!

Sep. 11, 9-10, C4C Abrams Lounge - Room S336

Questions? Contact Faculty Fellow [Nathalie Vriend](#)

Tech in Check

"Technology can become the 'wings' that will allow the educational world to fly farther and faster than ever before – if we allow it." – Jenny Arledge

We are fortunate to live in an era of rapid technological transformation. This [brief article](#) explores the latest emerging technologies that are transforming education and offers tips on how to stay prepared as the tech landscape continues to evolve.

Feeling Stuck?

Whether it's confusion about promotion, a high-stakes conflict, or simply a feeling that you're treading water, faculty life can be challenging. Faculty Relations offers individual consultations to help you to better understand university processes, improve relationships with colleagues, and achieve your professional goals.

[Schedule a Consultation](#)