

SB-40 FORUM Act Report – ORC 3345.0214

Barriers to or Incidents of Disruption of Free Expression

There have been no reported barriers to or incidents of disruption of free expression occurring on campus, including attempts to block or prohibit speakers and any investigation of students or student groups on the basis of expression.

In accordance with O.R.C. 3345.0212 Hocking College has implemented the following:

Hocking College does not prohibit any member of the Campus Community from engaging in noncommercial expressive activity on campus, so long as the individual's conduct is lawful and does not materially and substantially disrupt the functioning of the institution.

Hocking College does not charge a security fee to any students or student groups based on the content of their expression, the content of the expression of their invited guest, or the anticipated reaction to an invited guest's expression.

Hocking College has a policy on harassment that adheres to the R.C. 3345.0211 definition (pending Board Approval October 2021).

Hocking College has published in official communications and notices to students, on its website, and in its orientation programs the policies, regulations, and expectations of students regarding free expression on campus.

Hocking College has developed and distributed materials, programs, and procedures about the policies, regulations, and duties of the institution regarding free expression on campus to individuals responsible for the education or discipline of students.

In accordance with O.R.C. 3345.0213 Hocking College has implemented the following:

Hocking College does not limit Campus Community speech to "free speech zones" or designate Outdoor Areas of Campuses where expressive activities are prohibited.

Hocking College will maintain and enforce reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions specifically developed in service of a significant institutional interest only when such restrictions employ clear, published, viewpoint- and content-neutral criteria, and provide for ample alternative means for expressive activities. Any such restrictions shall allow for members of a campus community to spontaneously and contemporaneously assemble and distribute literature.

More information about Hocking College's freedom of expression policy and corresponding resources available to the Campus Community may be found at: https://www.hocking.edu/freedom-of-expression

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