

February 14, 2022

The American Association of University Professors – South Carolina Conference endorses the principles affirmed by the fourteen college and university presidents in the SC CHE Statement in Support of Academic Integrity and Responsibility. Since 1915, the AAUP has defined, defended and championed academic freedom as the foundation for all higher education teaching, inquiry and research. This freedom, including the freedom to discuss challenging and uncomfortable material, is the foundation on which the success of South Carolina's colleges and universities/students has been built.

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SC CHE Statement in Support of Academic Integrity and Responsibility

February 9, 2022

On February 3, 2022, the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education approved the following statement:

The Commission on Higher Education:

- values and honors viewpoint diversity.
- values and honors academic integrity and responsibility for both faculty and students.
- values and honors intellectual honesty.
- expects South Carolina's public institutions of higher education to embrace and protect these principles.

R. Wes Hayes

Chair

President and Executive Director

The undersigned institutions endorse these statements approved by the Commission on Higher Education on February 3, 2022, and will continue their long history of supporting and defending academic freedom and integrity.

Dr. Stephen J. Cutler, Provost University of South Carolina Columbia

Dr. Michael T. Benson, President Coastal Carolina University

Dr. George W. Hynd, Interim President Winthrop University

Dr. Al Panu, Chancellor University of South Carolina Beaufort

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