

of the conclusion of the investigation. If it is determined that sexual harassment or sexual violence did occur, the College will include in its resolution steps to prevent a recurrence of harassment and, when applicable, steps to correct the discriminatory effects on the complainant and others.

If an investigation results in a finding that the complainant falsely accused another of harassment knowingly or in a malicious manner, the complainant will be subject to appropriate sanctions, up to and including termination of employment or, in the case of students, up to and including permanent exclusion from the College.

Policy Concerning Sexual Relationships Between Students and Faculty or Staff Members

Fulfilling the mission of Bryn Mawr College to provide a rigorous education and to encourage the pursuit of knowledge as preparation for life and work depends upon the existence of a relationship of trust, respect and fairness between faculty or staff members and students. Romantic and/or sexual relationships between faculty or staff members (including teaching assistants) and students threaten this relationship. Further, the unequal nature of their respective roles calls into question a student's ability to fully consent to a romantic and/or sexual relationship with a faculty or staff member. The College considers such a relationship, even if believed to be consensual, to violate the integrity of the student/faculty or student/staff relationship, and to be unethical and unacceptable.

In acting on complaints regarding sexual relationships that come to the College's attention, it will be presumed that any complaint by a student against a faculty or staff member is valid if sexual relations have occurred between them. In addition, third parties, including other students, parents, and other faculty/staff members, may report suspected violations of this policy. All complaints will be investigated and should allegations of such a relationship be substantiated, the College will take appropriate disciplinary action against the involved faculty or staff member, up to and including termination of employment.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND THE LIMITS OF DISSENT

Bryn Mawr College currently has in place various policies addressing issues related to freedom of speech and the expression of ideas. Chief among these are the hazing policy (page 62) and the policy on solicitation on campus, available from College Communications. The Honor Code (page 26) establishes procedures that can be used to address issues of free speech and dissent when they arise from interactions between undergraduate students. The College also has a statement governing the conduct of religious groups, advisers, and representatives on campus, which can be found at the Pensby Center. The policy outlined here assumes the framework created by these other policies and procedures and addresses particularly the conduct of both curricular and extracurricular gatherings that feature speakers, films, performances, exhibits, or any other forms of artistic expression, whether these gatherings are open or closed. For the purposes of this policy, the term "speakers" should be understood to mean performers, exhibitors, presenters of films, and others involved in any form of artistic expression as well as those delivering, introducing, or responding to speeches, talks or lectures.

As an educational institution Bryn Mawr is committed to the free expression of ideas. In practice, this commitment means that speakers who conduct themselves within the guidelines of the policies mentioned above are entitled to express their ideas without hindrance, no matter how unpopular or controversial their ideas might be. Students and other persons who choose to attend events on campus are entitled to hear and see speakers without interference or intimidation. Bryn Mawr's commitment to the free expression of ideas extends to the expression of dissenting ideas; the College recognizes that the free representation of dissenting points of view is necessary to the climate of open and vigorous debate essential to its educational mission. Those who wish to dissent from or protest the views of others are entitled to do so, within the limits set forth here, without interference or intimidation.

Essentially, while the College recognizes the rights of both speakers and dissenters to the civil expression of their ideas, it also