University free speech policy raises concern

The University’s free speech policy poses a threat to first amendment rights, says the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education.

FIU is deemed as having “yellow light” policies by the foundation. This means the University has “at least one ambiguous administrative abuse and arbitrary application.”

FIRE rates universities green, yellow or red light schools “clearly and substantially” restricting freedom of speech.

Student wanting to demonstrate must apply to the Vice President of Student Affairs for the right to do so, should the demonstration have the attract over 30 individuals.

“I feel like that infringes on a person’s right to protest. By adding bureaucratic red tape to the process, it hinders the goal of the movement,” said Ibrahim, a junior chemistry major.

Raul Reis, dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, said that the University’s free speech policy is meant to ensure campus safety.

“Universities are a great place for the exchange of ideas and that includes sometimes demonstrating and protesting. Universities have to set the example. But I understand the rationale if what [the University] is looking for is an organized way of preparing themselves,” said Reis.

Most of the policy is intended to prevent the disruption of classes or traffic, as well as to ensure the safety of demonstrators, students, faculty and staff.

“I understand having cops around to make sure everybody is safe, but this can create an environment in which people don’t want to protest. It’s just such a shame because all of the large societal changes that have occurred is because of protest,” Ibrahim said.

University honors passing away of professor

Alexander Ramirez said his professor taught more than just art.

“He was more giving than many people would give credit for. Whether it was advice on life or art in general, he was always available to help the best way possible,” said Ramirez, a senior sculpting major.

After nearly four decades of his artistic career, professor of art and art history Ralph Buckley passed away Friday, Oct. 9.

Buckley’s two sons, Finn and Thad Buckley, have established a scholarship specifically for University sculpting major students in his honor.

The motive is meant to enable aspiring young artists to follow their dreams in sculpture, which is Ralph Buckley’s strongest focus.

Those who were taught by Ralph Buckley describe him as a tall and grumpy old man who always wore a blue button-down shirt. However, according to Ramirez, he was honest and fair.

“He was always pushing me and everyone else to have complete work, and he did his best to not let anyone fall through the cracks with his students,” said Ramirez, a senior sculpting major.

Teresa Fernández, a prominent artist who is celebrated internationally for her works, graduated with a bachelor’s degree in sculpture as one of Ralph Buckley’s students.

The methods he used to teach his art and life through his students and guides the next generation of artists, said Finn Buckley. He also said that discipline, accountability, respect and a strong work ethic were qualities Buckley instilled among his students.

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**PRIDE PARADE**

Students held the FIU flag high with pride at the Homecoming Parade which took off at Lot 3 and ended near the Football Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 24.
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NATION & WORLD

BRIEFS

New proposal by Obama exerts a significant weight in its education policy Saturday, calling for a cap on the amount of time students spend taking standardized tests. The move comes amid growing opposition from teachers and many parents who assert that high-stakes testing has classrooms focused on rote preparation and has squelched creativity. The announcement breaks a pattern of more than a decade of efforts by the Obama and George W. Bush administrations to emphasize standardized tests as a primary way to hold schools and teachers accountable for what students learn.

US commando death in Iraq raises issue of ‘mission creep’

A U.S. special forces commando was killed in Iraq during a joint U.S.-Kurdish raid that lasted about 30 minutes from an Islamic State prison, the Pentagon announced Thursday, Oct. 22. He was the first American to die during combat in almost four years. The Pentagon and the White House confirmed the death but not some other details that were provided by Kurdish security officials. The United States said 22 of the rescued hostages were Iraqi soldiers and the rest were civilians, with no Americans in the group.

Patricia makes landfall without predicted powerful punch

Across Mexico, residents and tourists exhaled in relief and began cleaning up on Saturday after the remnants of Hurricane Patricia blew toward Texas and the Gulf of Mexico. Packing record 200 mph winds and rated a Category 5 storm before coming ashore, Hurricane Patricia barreled into the tourist-rich west coast at a speed of 165 mph on Friday evening. At sea, it had rapidly grown to 165 mph on Friday evening, dissolving into a rainy low pressure system, carrying winds of only 30 miles per hour.

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University art professor is remembered, honored

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Being the youngest of three brothers, Ralph Buckley was born from a Slovenian-Polish background in Cleveland, Ohio on March 4, 1943. He had come from a long line of craftsmen who influenced his connection to art. When he graduated from high school, he directly pursued his interest in the arts at the Cleveland Institute of Art, where he specialized in sculpture and painting.

While attending undergraduate school, his mother supported him by renting out a studio space two doors down from their home. He lived with his brother who was a painter and modeler for General Motors. His mother played a significant role through several of his artworks, such as a clotheline piece he displayed during one of his exhibitions in the ‘90s, according to Finn Buckley. After completing his junior year in college, he was awarded a summer scholarship to study at the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture in Skowhegan, Maine.

After graduating from the Cleveland Institute of Art, he was appointed a position as assistant teacher at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. During his second semester at USC, he was given full leadership over the sculpture department. The department taught all levels ranging from freshman to graduate.

After USC, Ralph Buckley was given a fellowship from the Rineshtein School of Sculpture at the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore, where he received a Master of Fine Arts degree. Upon finalizing his education, he was offered a position to teach sculpture at Washington University in St. Louis.

During the seven years he had spent in St. Louis, he helped revitalize both the undergraduate and graduate programs. He specialized in hand wrought and forged aluminum elements, which gave the effect of realistic and life-sized pieces produced from flat sheets. He fostered the relationships between natural forms and organic ever-changing shapes of draped cloth. Aside from his skill in the world of artistry, he had an interest in culinary arts as well, according to Finn.

“He was a fantastic cook, and he did so for me and my brother every night until we moved out of the house,” said Finn.

Ralph Buckley’s works can be found in the collection of the Whitney Museum of American Art, the Guggenheim Museum, New York and the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

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Opinion

Lecturer ‘effectively ignored xenophobic policies’

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Leonel Fernández, the ex-president of the Dominican Republic, gave a lecture titled “21st Century Globalization, Governance and Development” at FIU Thursday Oct. 23. In his lecture, he effectively ignored the anguish brought on by the xenophobic policies carried out by his government.

The introducing speaker clarified that the University is “High Neutral Ground.” It was clear that the disruption of the lecture would lead to punishment. Signs all over the lobby forbade students to bear signs of protest. Protesters could exercise their freedom of speech in a cordoned-off area outside. This sent a message that outrage was anticipated but would not be tolerated.

Leonel Fernández gave long, informative yet rambling answers to the moderator’s questions about economic policy, democracy and progress. When asked about the citizenship of Dominican-born children and grandchildren of Haitian migrant workers, the room erupted into applause.

In September 2013, the Dominican Republic issued a ruling 168-13 which stripped citizenship from their government’s definition of “migrant workers.” The overwhelming majority of these people are of Haitian descent. According to Canton and McMullen, in their summer issue of Americas Quarterly, close to 200,000 people are affected.

“The government itself is causing the problems in the upcoming election,” said one brave student.

Fernández stated that the country has “overcome” this anti-black history and that current policies should not be seen in the light of those events. He blames the media’s representation of current citizenship policy for distracting the situation.

“There is no immigrant crisis.” He said.

I find it confusing that Leonel Fernández can value history so much, and completely ignore the reverberations of more than thirty years of anti-blackness instilled by Trujillo. Those in the U.S. can tell from experience that racial tensions instilled by institutionalized racism do not disappear in a mere century or two.

To reiterate, as one brave student stated during the talk when given a microphone, the massacre happened less than eighty years ago. In September 1937, more than twenty thousand Haitians were ignored. They certainly were heard. When asked what he would do about the xenophobia plaguing the country, he responded by saying “there is no xenophobia,” erasing those suffering by this recently passed policy.

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Thursday, Oct. 22, Books and Books, an independent bookstore in Coral Gables, hosted no other than Chelsea Clinton, the daughter of famous politicians Bill and Hillary Clinton. Chelsea Clinton was there to promote her new children's novel “It's Your World: Get Informed, Get Inspired & Get Going!” which she wrote to inspire kids, teens and young adults to strive to make a difference in their own communities and abroad.

"I kept meeting kids who were really curious about the world and who really were so attentive to what was happening and wanted to know what they could do about it. So, I wrote this to help them learn more about issues they already knew about, learn about issues they didn't know about, and share stories of kids who are doing amazing things so they could imagine themselves doing the same amazing thing if they wanted," Chelsea explained.

This event was a book signing only, but Chelsea was incredibly nice, talking with both children and adults and posing for pictures with them while holding her new book. The store was packed, with the line for signing weaving from one end of the building to the other. A diverse array of patrons attended the signing, from the very young to the young at heart, each excited to meet Chelsea. Those attending were given the opportunity to post on stickers how they will make a difference in the world. Many children enthusiastically took this challenge, with their promises including, I will … "recycle more," "not litter," "help the animals," "save the whales," "try to make others smile" and "change the world.

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Books and Books owner, Mitchell Kaplan, was zealous about the event and Chelsea’s book. “What she’s doing is galvanizing the young people of America and it’s a marvelous thing to see.”

Making a difference in the world is a specialty of Mitchell Kaplan. In 1984, Mitchell and Dr. Eduardo J. Padron co-founded the Miami Book Fair International, watch for upcoming events which include famed anchor Tom Brokaw on November 18 (cost $15) and the free author event of Dav Pilkey, writer of the Captain Underpants Series, on Friday, Nov. 20, both at MDC Chapman Conference Center (Building Three, Second Floor, Room 3210) 500 NE Second Ave., Miami, FL.

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FAR FROM FINISHED
Panthers dominate in Homecoming game win 41-12

There are few things in college football more exciting than the annual homecoming game. The stands are packed, the tailgate is electrifying and the parade fills everyone on campus with school spirit. The only way to make it better? Win the game - and that's exactly what FIU did to celebrate homecoming 2015.

FIU saw a handful of records shattered on Saturday, Oct. 24, as sophomore quarterback and Conference USA Offensive Player of the Week, Alex McGough, led the Panthers (4-4, 2-2) to a 41-12 victory over Old Dominion University Monarchs (3-4, 1-2). Despite ODU actually gaining more yards on offense than FIU, the final result of this game was never in doubt.

As well as being arguably the most efficient offensive player for the Panthers on Saturday night, McGough also broke quite a few records. McGough finished the game completing 31 of his 39 pass attempts with an incredible 390 yards and three touchdowns. Not only did McGough surpass his previous career high of 270 passing yards, he also moved past former FIU QB Jake Medlock for the second most passing yards in a single game in school history.

McGough’s 17 touchdown passing on the season is already a school record, passing Wesley Carroll’s previous high of 16. As his time here at FIU goes on, McGough continues to make a very strong argument that he will become the greatest quarterback in school history. Smith also broke three records Saturday night: most career receiving yards for an FIU tight end (141) and even broke his own record for most receiving yards in a single game by an FIU tight end (183).

The Panthers’ defense once again showed up in a major way, continuing to prove that they’re a significantly better group than they were a season ago. McGough and Smith were the obvious top contributors against ODU, but it was a team effort that enabled FIU to have yet another impressive scoring performance. FIU’s defense allowed just 12 points to a new look Monarchs offense, with sophomore linebacker, Anthony Wint, and senior cornerback, Jeremiah McKinnon, once again being the main defensive playmakers. Wint led the Panthers with seven total tackles, while McKinnon intercepted his third pass of the season.

Even though they had barely any points to show for it, ODU actually had the advantage over FIU in total offense. The Monarchs had a ridiculous 297 yards on the ground and 498 total yards, led by sophomore Ray Lawry’s 161 yards on 22 carries. FIU will have to sure things up defensively moving forward, especially with some tough games coming up.

The Panthers’ next game is the one we’ve all been waiting for. On Saturday, Oct. 31 at 3:30 p.m., FIU will take the field against their hated rival Florida Atlantic University in what’s sure to be a Halloween thriller. Not only is the Shula Bowl (currently owned by FIU) on the line, but the Panthers are still fighting to become bowl eligible. FAU would love nothing more than to defend their home field and play spoiler to FIU’s bowl chances, so we’ll certainly be in an exciting rivalry matchup.

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Panthers defeat Florida Atlantic, break streak

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Winning at home and losing on the road has been a common theme for the women’s volleyball team throughout the season. In order for the Panthers to climb in the Conference USA standings, they would have to improve on their 1-3 conference record away from home.

On Friday, Oct. 23, the team did just that as they traveled to Boca Raton to face off against Florida Atlantic University. The Panthers defeated the Owls in five sets with a score of 15-25, 22-25, 25-16, 25-19 and 15-10 to give them their first conference road victory since Friday, Sept. 4 against University of Alabama at Birmingham.

The Panthers improved to 13-8 (7-3 in C-USA) and FAU fell to 15-6 (7-2 in C-USA). FIU is now 2-0 against the Owls this season. In the first set, the game was tied 10-10, but the Owls used a 15-5 run to take the first set. The Panther rallied well defensively, led by senior middle blocker, Gloria Levorin, who tallied three blocks.

The Owls took the second set once again to take a commanding 2-0 lead. However, the momentum changed in the third set. Down 2-0, the Panthers did not panic. Instead, they started the set off on an 8-1 run and never looked back as they won the third set. Senior outside hitter, Lucia Castro, and sophomore middle blocker, Jennifer Ene, helped lead the charge as they combined for 10 kills.

In the fourth set, junior middle blocker, Katie Hogan, contributed with four kills as the Panthers were able to tie the match up at 2-2. FIU was able to complete the comeback in the fifth set and sweep the season series against the Owls.

The Panthers became the first team to defeat the Owls at home this season. Coming into the game, FAU had a perfect record of 8-0 at home.

For the match, the team had 52 kills with only 18 errors for a final hitting percentage of .210. The Panthers also had the edge on the blocks column, out-blocking them 13.5-6.

Castro led the team with 20 kills this match. This gave her 1,174 for her career and moved her up to fifth all-time, as she passed Olga Vergun, an ‘09 alumni. Defensively, senior libero, Adriana McLamb, finished with 15 digs. McLamb also moved up on the all-time Panther record, as she moved up to tenth all-time with 822 digs. McLamb passed ‘07 alumni Alyse Santisi in only her third season.

Ene and Hogan finished the match with 11 kills each and Levorin added with eight kills and eight blocks. Freshman setter, Dominique Dodd, finished with a career-high 27 assists.
**Women’s Soccer**

**Women lose third homecoming game**

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It was homecoming at the Florida International University soccer stadium on Sunday and a day when such festivities for the team and the seniors was ruined by a 2-0 to the Florida Atlantic University Owls.

**Panthers break school records**

**PETE’S PICKS**

**PIERRE HOLLAND, JR.**

The Panther’s win against Old Dominion University on Saturday, Oct. 24 was a night to remember. The Panthers are now 3-0 at home and 4-4 overall (2-2 in C-USA). Records have been shattered during that night involving sophomore quarterback, Alex McGough, and junior tight end, Jonnu Smith.

McGough had a record breaking night finishing 31-39 for 390 yards and three touchdowns. McGough has surpassed Wesley Carroll’s record for most touchdown passes in a season with 17 total touchdown passes, breaking his own record by finishing the game with 10 catches for 183 yards and two touchdowns. He surpassed former FIU player, Sam Smith, for most career receiving yards for tight end in FIU history. Sam Smith finished his career with 1383 receiving yards. Jonnu Smith however, currently has 1495 receiving yards in his career.

Smith also passed Sam Smith for career receptions with 51 catches.

Tight end Jonnu Smith at the game against Old Dominion. The next game will take place at Charlotte to take on the 49ers on Friday, Oct. 30.

**FOOTBALL**

Panthers end Owls’ home winning streak

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The Panthers then traveled to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, to face off against Middle Tennessee State University on Sunday, Oct. 25. Heading into this game, Middle Tennessee had a record of just 5-19 (3-7 in C-USA) and were at the bottom of the conference standings.

However, FIU did not take advantage of its opponent, losing in another five-set match with scores of 20-25, 23-25, 25-20, 25-17 and 8-15. This is the third time the Panthers have been pushed to five sets in the last four matches. The team falls to 13-9 (7-4 in C-USA).

After dropping the first two sets, the Panthers found themselves in a familiar position. Just two days prior, they were in a 2-0 hole against FAU. The team went on to win the third set behind the play Ene as she finished with five kills and a hitting percentage of .444.

In the fourth set, the Panthers got off to a quick start, leading 12-5 and would not look back as they tied the match 2-2. Freshman outside hitter, Jade Faucette, led the team defensively with seven digs in the set.

In the final set, the Blue Raiders would eventually pull away from the Panthers and not allow FIU to complete the comeback.

Senior middle blocker, Gloria Levorin, led the team with 16 kills and five blocks. Levorin now has 268 block assists, which puts her in fourth all-time in program history. McLamb also moved up the program’s all-time rankings after this game as she collected 21 digs. This put her at eighth all-time in program history. McLamb also moved up the program’s all-time rankings after this game as she collected 21 digs. This put her at eighth all-time in program history.

The Panthers struggled to stop Middle Tennessee’s attack as senior outside hitter, Chelsea Ross, and redshirt junior middle blocker, Miki Shade, combined for 40 kills. The Blue Raiders finished the match with a hitting percentage of .249.

The Panthers will be home for their next three games against C-USA opponents, where they are a perfect 5-0.
University free speech policy earns "yellow light" rating

Noel Cerulean also sees the reasoning behind the policy, but he thinks it might be restricting.

"Applying to demonstrate a large-scale thing makes sense to me since it would need planning, but at the same time, I don't think flash demonstrations are bad either," said Cerulean, a junior dietetics and nutrition major.

"I think the police can apply the same criteria that they've set up for other demonstrations to any other event as well."

Veraldi said she was glad to hear that the approval application for demonstration did not require organizations to reveal their purpose or intent.

High school teachers may need to go back to school due to a change in the credentials required to teach dual credit courses, and the new policy isn’t sitting well with some Monroe County school officials.

"We are currently auditing all of the credentials of our teachers to see how much it will affect us, but we predict that it will be a major effect on us," said Jan Bergson, director of secondary education at the Monroe County Community School Corp.

The change will go into effect in September 2017 and is due to a revision in policy from the Higher Learning Commission, a regional organization that determines accreditation for post-secondary schools in Indiana and 19 other states.

The HLC revised its standards to require that high school teachers of dual credit courses need a master’s degree in the subject area of the course they’re teaching, or those with a master’s that isn’t in the discipline must have at least 18 credit hours in the subject.

Previously, the HLC considered teachers with a master’s degree as qualified to teach dual credit courses and recommended, rather than required, a master’s in the specific discipline.

Dual credit courses are college-level classes that students can take in high school. If students pass the course, they earn credits that are transferable to colleges and universities and can be used toward a post-secondary degree. In most cases, the dual credit course is free to high school students.

Why make the change?

According to an HLC statement, the policy change is to ensure the dual credit course is just as tough as the class students take when they attend college.

"An expert faculty member is a critical element in ensuring that dual enrollment students have a college experience that is as rigorous as the college experience they would have had by taking the same class on campus from a college faculty member," said Ackerman.

A college or university must assure that faculty teaching dual credit courses hold the same minimal qualifications as the faculty teaching on its own campus, the announcement stated.

"This may increase certain things and decrease others but a sustainable fish farm will be one of the only ways we can continue to eat as much fish as we want. We can’t eat without degrading our oceans."