

A Message from Faculty at Tufts University Reaffirming our Shared Values

We, the undersigned faculty at Tufts University, join with our colleagues at [MIT](#) in affirming the following principles:

We unconditionally reject every form of bigotry, discrimination, hateful rhetoric, and hateful action, whether directed towards one's race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, disability, citizenship, political views, socioeconomic status, veteran status, or immigration status.

We endorse the values of open, respectful discourse and exchange of ideas from the widest variety of intellectual, religious, class, cultural, and political perspectives.

We uphold the principles of the scientific method, of humanistic inquiry, of social scientific inquiry, and of artistic exploration. None of these are special interests. All are foundational ingredients of how we as a society analyze, understand, and respond to the most difficult challenges that we face.

For any member of our community who may feel fear or oppression, our doors are open and we are ready to help. We pledge to work with all members of the community – students, faculty, staff, postdoctoral researchers, and administrators – to defend these principles today and in the times ahead.

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