Ethical Code

The Weizmann Institute of Science, as a leading scientific research institution and an institution of higher education, is a research community led by universal values of truth and freedom, honesty, justice, equality, intellectual and personal integrity, personal example, impartiality and respect for all people. Accordingly, the Institute management, its employees, students and all individuals on campus are obliged to treat each other with mutual respect, in an fair and equal manner, without discrimination or bias based on extraneous considerations such as race, origin, sex, gender, religion, nationality, political view, marital status, sexual orientation or disability.

This research community is anchored in the value of academic freedom, the human instinct of curiosity, the quest for knowledge, and the drive to explore, publish, teach and learn freely, and to critique and be critiqued.

Academic freedom also involves the freedom to engage in unusual or controversial issues, as well as to question, challenge conventions, receive criticism critique and express uncommon opinions. The Weizmann Institute attaches great importance to the ability of the members of its community to express their views without fear, as long as they act within the framework of the law and the Institute's regulations, and respect the dignity of the other, even if he/she holds a different or even contradictory view.

The Institute is a pluralistic and multicultural campus. As such, members of its community are required to demonstrate awareness, sensitivity and respect for the social and cultural diversity as well as the complexity that this diversity may demand of the work and study environment. The protection of human dignity and rights is a universal value that is absolutely necessary so as to enable the Institute to fulfill its core mission, which is to advance science for the benefit of humanity.

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