

POSITIONS

- The pursuit of social justice, respect of diversity of all, respect for all species, and human and labor rights are the founding principles of TSI and as such are part of the curriculum.
- There is little academic freedom at educational institutions in the United States. TSI is committed to the individuals' right to meaningful academic freedom.
- Free education for all. Education is essential for a good standard of living, global citizenship, and human rights. Therefore, we are committed to providing free learning to the extent that our resources permit.
- All faculty members have equal ranking and salary. As an egalitarian institution, there is no faculty ranking at TSI. Tenure can be attained after six years and is based on equally weighted effectiveness in teaching, research, and activism.
- Graduate students are graded based on a tutorial model that allows one to demonstrate mastery of a subject in various ways rather than on standardized tests. Each student is graded on a personal basis, rather than in comparison to peers.
- Because students work at different paces, all students are considered full-time regardless of their credit load. This assists students with medical insurance and other financial benefits.
- Faculty are the sole instructors eliminating the exploitative use of graduate students. If a graduate student is wanting and knowledgeable to teach a course they are paid equally to that of a faculty member and are listed as such.
- We are committed to eliminating the abusive labor practice of employing adjuncts. To this end, graduate courses are taught only by full-time faculty members.
- Each course is designed by the professor and is not based on a standard text or syllabus set by any other body or individual.
- Academic programs and courses have a theory to practice component stressing community service and global responsibility.
- With critical thinking central to our mission, we encourage faculty, staff members, and students to express themselves while remaining respectful to others.
- Members of this college shall not cheat or plagiarize, and shall not engage in dishonest, unethical, destructive, or malicious behavior.