

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **ROLE OF PRAYER AND RELIGIOUS SERVICES ON CAMPUS-Policy No. C053**

Recommended for Approval By Emily Sinsabaugh, Executive Assistant to the President

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### **INTENT**

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania is firmly committed to compliance with constitutional principles with regard to the separation of church and state. The purpose of this policy is to establish recognition of the constitutional and legal restrictions that are applicable to Edinboro University as a public institution as well as to address the needs and desires of the campus community.

### **POLICY**

At public ceremonies, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, in consultation with Campus Ministry, includes on a rotating basis religious expressions of most or all major denominations. Such representatives should respect the mixed religious and non-religious backgrounds of Edinboro University faculty, staff, students and all citizens with regard to their role at these events, and refrain from representations that might ostensibly imply that the University or the state endorses religion, or their, or any particular religion. The views of any speaker invited by the University to speak on any occasion are not necessarily those of the University.

### **PROCEDURE**

The university will attempt to select religious speakers that it expects to understand and agree with the policy stated above and will endeavor to provide such persons with a copy of this policy.