The faculty, staff, and Emeriti of Department of English at the University of Texas at Austin strongly oppose the “campus carry” bill, Senate Bill 11. We believe that the presence of guns in classrooms, dormitories, and faculty offices is not only unsafe but will inhibit the free exchange of ideas and viewpoints that is integral to a university. The Texas Constitution mandates a “University of the first class,” but this law will damage our ability to recruit and retain the best students and faculty from across Texas, the nation, and the world.

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