

The undersigned faculty, emeriti and staff of the Department of French and Italian at The University of Texas at Austin strongly oppose “campus carry” legislation, Senate Bill 11. The presence of firearms in classrooms, dormitories, offices, auditoriums and other campus spaces puts members of the UT community at risk of physical and emotional harm. The possibility of gun violence will inhibit the free exchange of ideas and information that is essential to the mission of an American university. The law is certain to undermine recruitment and retention of outstanding students, faculty, and staff.

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