



Statement of the AMS

Policy Statement Regarding the Russian Invasion of Ukraine

The American Mathematical Society (AMS) strongly condemns the Russian invasion of Ukraine and is deeply disturbed by the resulting humanitarian crisis. We are extremely concerned for the safety and well-being of the Ukrainian people, including members of its large mathematics community and their families. The AMS stands in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and joins with the many voices around the world calling for an immediate halt to these hostilities and violations of international law.

The AMS recognizes that many Russian people, including many mathematicians, do not support the invasion. Some are bravely protesting in the face of persecution and suppression of dissent in Russia. Our thoughts are with all the people of Ukraine, as well as those who risk their freedom to support them.

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Policy Statement Regarding Career Teaching Faculty in Research Departments

Career teaching faculty in mathematics are an important part of the community of professional mathematicians. As experts focused on teaching, they add a great deal to their departments. They often play leading roles in the education of undergraduates, both non-majors and majors. They can be a source of innovations in curriculum and teaching, follow the literature around teaching and learning, and bring to their departments the latest innovations concerning these topics. They are often well prepared to sponsor independent studies for majors, supervise undergraduate research projects, and serve as departmental advisors for math majors. They may evaluate institutional data related to the teaching of math and undertake scholarship around the learning of mathematics. Math departments with career teaching faculty should value and support these faculty members as professional colleagues; they should encourage their institutions to develop pathways for the professional advancement of career teaching faculty, and to systematically support them in their career growth. The AMS supports career teaching faculty and strongly encourages their active participation in all activities of the society.

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According to the Bylaws of the American Mathematical Society, the Council of the AMS has power to speak in the name of the Society, and it does so when a statement is approved by two-thirds of the entire membership of the Council. If the president and the secretary agree that a statement in the name of the Society is urgently needed, this can be accomplished between regular Council meetings, subject to affirmation at the next regular Council meeting.