

# Widening The Circle Professional Development

EXTENSION

Who: All Extension folks (staff, volunteers)

What: Free Speech—it's getting a lot of attention these days. I have invited Linda Schutjer, Senior Legal Counsel, and Jannine Mohr, Senior Associate Legal Counsel from CSU General Counsel to provide insight.

When: WED October 18, 2017 from 8:30-10:00AM (NOTE—Not the original date)

Where: VIA ZOOM

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: https://zoom.us/j/589686527

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Meeting ID: 589 686 527

Why: Putting the Principles of Community into practice (Widening the Circle sessions count towards your

required 50 hours/year Professional Development)

Please RSVP to Irene Shonle. host, if you plan to attend: (Irene.shonle@colostate.edu)

Please prepare by reading some or all of the following:

# First of all, what IS free speech?

1<sup>st</sup> amendment: Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

NOTE: I know I have listed way too many articles to read in the links below, but there is a lot to think about, and many different views. Feel free to just read one or two from each question (I have listed them in a vague order of priority). They are quick reads for the most part. There are <u>TWO PAGES</u> to this invitation!

These are the questions I would like to explore, with links to very recent events—(continued on second page.)

What should campuses do to protect both their students AND free speech? Is there ever a case for suppressing speech?

http://thehill.com/blogs/pundits-blog/education/348296-colleges-shouldnt-have-the-right-to-infringe-on-free-speechhttp://www.cnn.com/2017/04/20/us/campus-free-speech-trnd/index.html

https://thewalrus.ca/how-the-alt-right-is-winning-over-university-campuses/

http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2017/08/24/charlottesville-may-put-the-brakes-on-campus-free-speech-laws

https://www.aclu.org/blog/free-speech/equality-justice-and-first-amendment?redirect=blog/speak-freely/equality-justice-and-first-amendment

http://theweek.com/articles/718454/censor-white-supremacy

### Some very recent events

http://www.npr.org/2017/09/26/553768905/sessions-defends-campus-free-speech-and-trumps-criticism-of-nfl-player-protests?

utm source=facebook.com&utm medium=social&utm campaign=npr&utm term=nprnews&utm content=20170926

http://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/352071-berkeley-cancels-free-speech-week

## When does free speech tip over into hate speech/incitement to violence? The limits are fuzzy.

http://www.newsweek.com/do-armed-neo-nazis-have-first-amendment-rights-protest-656443

http://www.macleans.ca/politics/judge-rejects-trumps-free-speech-defence-in-lawsuit/? utm source=macleans&utm medium=organic&utm campaign=recirc&utm content=tag list

http://www.macleans.ca/opinion/how-the-alt-right-weaponized-free-speech/?utm\_source=macleans&utm\_medium=organic&utm\_campaign=recirc&utm\_content=tag\_list

http://www.snopes.com/2017/08/18/constitutional-limits-free-speech/

### Should you lose your job? Does free speech protect you from the consequences of what you say?

http://nprillinois.org/post/google-memo-raises-questions-about-limits-free-speech-workplace#stream/0

http://www.marketwatch.com/story/read-this-before-making-a-political-protest-while-on-the-job-2017-09-25

http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/commentary/ct-perspec-free-speech-social-media-0921-story.html