

American Democracy Project's speaker selected, scheduled for Constitution Day

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The American Democracy Project has scheduled its Constitution Day speaker for Sept. 17.

Dr. Alison Staudinger, an assistant professor in the democracy and justice studies and political science at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, will speak at 6:30 p.m. in Reeve 227.

At UW-Green Bay, Staudinger teaches courses on constitutional law, gender, american politics and political theory. She earned her PhD in government and politics from the University of Maryland-College Park in May 2013, with an interdisciplinary dissertation critiquing contemporary democratic theorists for ignoring the important relationships between work and citizenship, drawing on historical case studies and Supreme Court cases to argue for the intimate connection between how different types of work are recognized or rewarded and access to political membership. Her current work extends her doctoral research to explore the theoretical importance of work in the writings of political theorist Hannah Arendt, as well as developing normative theories of democratic citizenship that are powerful in a world where labor is precarious. She also is working with colleagues nationwide to develop “civic studies” as an multi-disciplinary research agenda, including pedagogy that encourages students to analyze and change the systems around them.

[Constitution Day](#), recognized nationally on Sept. 17, commemorates the ratification of the Constitution in 1787 and encourages students to become informed citizens. Educational institutions that receive federal funding are mandated to recognize the day; annually UW Oshkosh holds several Constitution Day events.

[Amy Brecheisen](#) submitted this announcement. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to contribute calendar items, campus announcements and other good news to UW Oshkosh Today.

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