

Why Free Speech Is Not a Free Pass, Fall, 2023

Tuesdays, 1:30-3:00pm @ Bethany United Methodist Church, Room 222

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Allen May has had various positions in professional journalism as a clinical professor and as a reporter, anchor, producer, and videographer in radio, newspaper, and television, including WFLD-TV (Fox) in Chicago. He headed an award-winning investigative and legal affairs reporting unit for WTMJ-TV (NBC) in Milwaukee. Prior to that he was the crime/court reporter at WISN-TV (ABC) in Milwaukee and anchored a weekly news segment called "Crimeline Anonymous" for 13 years. He has numerous reporting awards from Associated Press, Northwest Broadcast News Association, Wisconsin Broadcasters Association, Milwaukee Press Club and other organizations. He has degrees in Psychology (Bethany College, 1975) and Law (Wisconsin, 1994). While in law school, he was selected as a member and coach of the Moot Court Board. He also clerked for the Dane County District Attorney's Office in Madison, WI, and assisted in the prosecution of misdemeanor criminal cases. In 2000, he joined the faculty at Northern Illinois University, where he taught broadcast journalism and media law before retiring in 2016.

WEEK ONE

Sept. 19: It's a Free Country; I Can Say Anything That I Want? Protected Speech or Bad Behavior?

WEEK TWO

Sept. 26: Protected Speech or Bad Behavior?

WEEK THREE

Oct. 03: Hey, Let's Storm the Capitol!

WEEK FOUR

Oct. 10: No Talking In the Classroom. Wait, Where'd You Get That Book?

WEEK FIVE

Oct. 17: Call Me That Name Again. I Dare You.

WEEK SIX

Oct. 24: Have You Been Spreading Lies Again? How Aspirational!

WEEK SEVEN

Oct. 31: Government Orders: I Can't Tell Them/I Have to Tell Them.

WEEK EIGHT

Nov. 07: Social Media Disease.