* **[10/20 Freedom of Speech in a Civil Society - Peter Lake](http://dailydigest.uconn.edu/publicEmailSingleStoryView.php?id=44140&cid=24&iid=1525)**

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“Freedom of speech” as an ideal and a legal mandate sometimes clashes with the desire to promote a campus free of discrimination, incivility and hostility.  Whether “speech” is what a professor talks about in class, what the campus newspaper publishes, or who is invited to speak on campus, free speech has come under scrutiny at campuses across the nation.

Are there limits on speech?  If so, what are they?  How do we manage the two important goals of supporting free speech and creating a civil environment?

Please join us for commentary and Q&A with Peter Lake, an expert in higher education law.

**About Peter Lake:**

Peter F. Lake is professor of law, Charles A. Dana chair and director of the Center for Higher Education Law and Policy at Stetson University College of Law.

He teaches and writes in the areas of torts, higher education law and policy, insurance, and jurisprudence, and has won several awards for his teaching and scholarship.

He is the author of *Foundations of Higher Education Law and Policy* (NASPA, 2011).  This book has proven to be a great help to higher education staff as they address increased national attention on, and manage issues such as campus safety and security, institutional accountability, and economic challenges.  He also co-authored *The Rights and Responsibilities of the Modern University* (Carolina Academic Press, 1999), and has authored numerous law review articles and other publications.

He is an internationally-recognized expert on higher education law and policy and has been quoted or referred to in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Chicago Sun Times*, *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, various reported legal decisions including the supreme courts of Virginia and Florida, and the most recent *Restatement of the Law of Torts*. He has appeared on major television networks such as ABC and CNN.

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