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Getting Uncomfortable: What Discomfort Can Teach Us About Social Justice & Democratic Life

One of the crucial challenges for democratic life, and for intimate life, too, is to learn that disagreement does not kill you—and that you need not kill someone who disagrees with you. This is a deceptively difficult lesson to learn, let alone practice. Nor should it be confused with either civility or "tolerance," in which a dominant majority allows minorities to come into the national fold on the condition that they hide or disappear the ways in which they differ. In this talk, Ann Pellegrini examines ongoing debates in the United States that pit gender and sexual equality "against" religious liberty. Along the way she extends an argument, first made in her co-authored book *Love the Sin*, for the necessary connection – not opposition – between sexual freedom and religious freedom.

Ann Pellegrini, Professorin und Direktorin des "Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality" in New York, forscht im Bereich Gender und Queer in Verbindung mit Religion, Kultur, Performanz und Psychoanalyse.

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