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SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS**

Enemy Women (and Men)

**Gender, Race and the
Making of the German Citizen**

**A speech by Jessica Brown,
of College of Saint Rose**

**Friday, November 6, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.
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Any category of membership is defined as much by those that do not belong as by those that do. This talk is an examination of the way that new ideas of “Germanness” are being defined with respect to new groups of problematized outsiders. Since gender and sexual behavior are among the brightest in the ideological “paint box” used to draw the lines between in-group and out-group, Ms. Brown will examine how discourses of gender and sexuality are being used to define what it means to be a good German citizen versus an outsider in modern-day Germany. To place the current project in perspective, however, she will also provide a historical overview of the shifting and contradictory ways in which gender and sexuality have been used to mark this boundary in Germany in the past.

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