

The SUNY Plattsburgh Institute for Ethics in Public Life presents
“Banned Books Week 2025”

Oct. 8 (W) at 3:30 in person or on Zoom (see below)

Efforts to have books banned and removed from libraries and schools is nothing new, hence the creation of banned books week” by a coalition of organizations including the American Library Association back in 1982. However, over the last few years the number of books targeted have increased more than 10-fold.

What is driving this current surge in attempts to ban books? How is it similar, or different from, previous waves of book banning? How does this affect librarians, students, and other library users (including teachers and university faculty)? Those are some of the topics we will explore in our discussion.



We welcome special guests Sarah Jennette, Head of Library Services at Clinton Community College, and Dr. Tracie Church Guzzio, Professor of English and Director of the Honors Program, to help us understand this important topic. This forum is an opportunity for students, faculty, administrators, staff, alumni, and community members to come together and learn about this issue.

Join us in person in Hawkins 233 (the Institute offices) or
on Zoom at <https://plattsburgh.zoom.us/j/86351512620>

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