

**WGSU-FM (89.3), Geneseo, N.Y.**  
**Issues and Programs List**  
**Second Quarter 2021**

**Issues of Community Concern:**

1. Education
2. Civic Engagement/Politics
3. Diversity and Inclusion
4. Economy
5. Environment/Sustainability
6. Family and Community/American and Family Values
7. Health and Safety/Quality of Life

**Programming:**

*News:*

Program: Genesee Valley News Report

Aired: 6 p.m. Monday–Friday (April 1–May 13)

Length: 7 minutes

Description: General-interest news broadcast reporting daily world, national and local news, weather and sports (various hosts, locally produced).

Issues Addressed: Education, Civic Engagement/Politics, Diversity and Inclusion, Economy, Environment/Sustainability, Family and Community/American and Family Values, Health and Safety/Quality of Life

Program: Kaleidoscope

Aired: 11 a.m. April 3–4, 17–18, May 1–2, 15–16, 29–30; 11 p.m. April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30

Length: 30 minutes

Description: In-depth, general-interest news-digest-style program featuring stories and commentaries on a range of topics (hosted by Sarah DeVito; locally produced).

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*Public Affairs:*

Program: Alternative Radio

Aired: 8 a.m. Saturday

Length: 57 minutes

Description: Offers in-depth discussions and progressive viewpoints on public-affairs issues often ignored or distorted by mainstream media; hosted by David Barsamian (produced by Rise Up).

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*Segment descriptions:*

Guest/topic: (April 3) Frank Smyth/The NRA Unmasked (rebroadcast)

Guest/topic: (April 10) Timothy Snyder/The State of American Democracy

Guest/topic: (April 17) Mehdi Hasan/Anti-Zionism is Anti-Semitism  
Guest/topic: (April 24) Jeffrey Robinson/The South, Slavery & the Lost Cause  
Guest/topic: (May 1) Lawrence Ferlinghetti/A Defense of Poetry  
Guest/topic: (May 8) John Ghazvinian/Hidden History of U.S.-Iran Relations  
Guest/topic: (May 15) Vijay Prashad/China, the U.S. & the New Cold War (Part 1)  
Guest/topic: (May 22) Vijay Prashad/China, the U.S. & the New Cold War (Part 2)  
Guest/topic: (May 29) Rebecca Solnit and Astra Taylor/Remake the World  
Guest/topic: (June 5) Jayati Ghosh/India's COVID Catastrophe  
Guest/topic: (June 12) Richard Wolff/Transitioning to Democratic Enterprises  
Guest/topic: (June 19) Stephen Bezruchka/ COVID-19 Lessons for the Future  
Guest/topic: (June 26) Maureen Webb/Hackers and Democracy

Program: A Way With Words

Aired: 9 a.m. Saturday

Length: 54 minutes

Description: Examines language through history, culture and family; discusses language news and controversies. Topics include slang, grammar, old sayings, word origins, regional dialects, family expressions, and speaking and writing well; hosted by Martha Barnette and Grant Barrett (produced by Wayword Inc.).

Issues Addressed: Education, Family and Community/American and Family Values

Program: Our American Stories with Lee Habeeb

Aired: 10 a.m. Saturday; 11:30 p.m. Sunday [12 a.m. April 5, 19; May 3, 17, 31]

Length: 30 minutes

Description: Shares positive, inspirational stories about "ordinary Americans who do extraordinary things"; hosted by Lee Habeeb (produced by Our American Network).

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Program: Geneseo Today

Aired: 10:30 a.m. Saturday; 11 p.m. Sunday [11:30 p.m. April 4, 18; May 2, 16, 30]

Length: 30 minutes

Description: Features interviews with community and campus newsmakers discussing issues affecting the local community (hosted by Rocio Ruiz and guest hosts; locally produced).

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*Segment descriptions:*

Guest/topics: (April 3-4) Brandy Manaslip, Elijah Reed and Josephine Wu, SUNY Geneseo students; discussed March 23 campus rally in support of Asian-American and Pacific Islander individuals; and their personal experiences facing acts of discrimination (rebroadcast June 12-13).

Guest/topics: (April 10-11) William Bacon, director, Livingston County Economic Development, and secretary, Livingston County Land Bank Corp.; discussed his background and roles with the organizations, COVID-19 effects on the local economy, current projects to help small businesses and local employment, and other goals (rebroadcast).

Guest/topics: (April 17–18) Cindy Flowers, superintendent, Geneseo Central School District; discussed instruction models and learning outcomes during the COVID-19 pandemic; new projects and future goals (rebroadcast June 26–27).

Guest/topics: (April 24–25) Sasha Eloi-Evans, director of multicultural programs and services, SUNY Geneseo; discussed her background, campus multicultural initiatives and new living-learning community Umoja House (rebroadcast June 19–20).

Guest/topics: (May 1–2) Nicholas Giordano, associate professor of political science, Suffolk Community College; discussed freedom of speech and hate-speech regulation on college campuses (rebroadcast). (Note: special 15-minute segment “piggybacked” with Howell interview.)

Guest/topics: (May 1–2) Kerri Howell, chief communications and marketing officer, SUNY Geneseo; discussed her background and college communication initiatives (rebroadcast). (Note: special 15-minute segment “piggybacked” with Giordano interview.)

Guest/topics: (May 8–9) Natalie Vernon, SUNY Geneseo student and former New York State Dairy Princess; discussed her background, her former role as a state dairy princess, her future plans, and topics related to local agriculture and promoting the dairy and other agricultural industries.

Guest/topics: (May 15–16) Chryssanthi Tzetzis, SUNY Geneseo biology major and member of American Cancer Society On Campus; discussed the student club’s mission, volunteer opportunities and annual Relay For Life fundraiser (rebroadcast).

Guest/topics: (May 22–23) Judith Halbreich, founder and CEO of Home of Champions, a youth-empowerment agency; discussed the organization’s mission to identify and mentor future leaders among foster-care youth and nurture their creative potential; and the state of the foster-care system in New York state and nationally.

Guest/topics: (May 29–30) Ian Coyle, Livingston County administrator; discussed the status of the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccine distribution in Livingston County and the Finger Lakes region; and county communication and outreach initiatives (rebroadcast).

Guest/topics: (June 5–6) Thomas Freeman, mayor, Village of Avon; discussed quality-of-life issues concerning the village, including effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; small businesses and the local economy; and current projects (rebroadcast).

Program: Live On KEXP

Aired: 10 p.m. Sunday

Length: 15–30 minutes (individual program length varies)

Description: Weekly series, recorded at KEXP-FM, Seattle, featuring in-studio performances by established and up-and-coming alternative/indie artists in a range of genres (produced by KEXP with financial support from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for free distribution to college and community radio stations).

Issues Addressed: Education

Program: Special Coverage: Geneseo Central School District’s 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement

Aired: 11 a.m.–12:45 p.m. June 26

Length: One hour and 45 minutes

Description: Complete live coverage of the school district’s 2021 commencement ceremony (locally produced).

Issues Addressed: Education, Family and Community/American and Family Values

*Public Service Announcements:*

Aired: At least once to twice hourly, 6 a.m.–midnight (seven days a week)

Length: 30 and 60 seconds (prerecorded)

*Campaign descriptions (organization):*

Education: College Radio Awareness (College Radio Foundation)

Education: Ronald Reagan Quote of the Day/“40 at 40” Campaign (Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute)

Education: Selective Service Registration Awareness (Selective Service System)

Education: SUNY Geneseo/CIT: Rave Guardian Safety App (SUNY Geneseo/Local)

Education: SUNY Geneseo/Friends of WGSU (SUNY Geneseo/Local)

Education: SUNY Geneseo/WGSU Underwriting (SUNY Geneseo/Local)

Education: Workforce Readiness (FindSomethingNew.org/Ad Council)

Education/Family and Community/Quality of Life: Recruitment (New York Army National Guard/New York State Broadcasters Association) (NCSA Announcement)

Environment/Sustainability: Land Preservation (Genesee Valley Conservancy)

Family and Community/American and Family Values: Let’s Talk About America (Keep America Beautiful)

Health and Safety: Anti-Drunk Driving (Muskingum University/CBI)

Health and Safety: Buzzed Driving Prevention (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration/Ad Council)

Health and Safety: Coronavirus Response (CDC/NAB)

Health and Safety: Freedom From Smoking (American Lung Association)

Health and Safety: “If You See Something Say Something” (U.S. Department of Homeland Security)

Health and Safety: Our Roads, Our Safety/Voices of Safety (U.S. Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration)

Health and Safety: Pedestrian Safety/DriveToBeBetter.com (Causewave Community Partners)

Health and Safety: Safe Disposal of Opioid Medications (U.S. Food and Drug Administration)

Health and Safety: Safe Use of Acetaminophen (U.S. Food and Drug Administration)

Health and Safety: Smoking Cessation (Centers for Disease Control/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services)

Health and Safety: Stay True to You (Causewave Community Partners)

Health and Safety: Texting and Driving Prevention (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration/Ad Council)

*Sports Programming:*

Program: Sports 360

Aired: 6 p.m. Wednesday (April 7–May 12)

Length: 53 minutes

Description: Insight on and analysis of various major-league, collegiate and area high-school sports; listener interaction (locally produced).

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*Weather Reports:*

WGSU provides local weather reports, including current conditions and forecasts, at least once per hour during live-program segments; and an hourly pre-recorded weekend weather forecast 6 a.m.–6 p.m. Saturday.

Issues Addressed: Health and Safety/Quality of Life

*Emergency Alert System:*

WGSU is a Participating Station in the Monroe, Livingston, Ontario, Wayne, Yates, Orleans and Seneca, N.Y., Operational Area Emergency Alert System. During the quarter covered by this report, WGSU broadcast 10 Required Weekly Tests (RWT) and three Required Monthly Tests (RMT).

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**Community Service/Involvement:**

*Community Outreach*

At the request of the Geneseo Central School District, WGSU broadcast the district's special outdoor 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement, including all speeches and diploma presentations. 11 a.m.–12:45 p.m. June 26.

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*Awards, honors and recognition*

WGSU cited in an article, "SUNY Geneseo student weighing legal action after suspension, reinstatement," published online April 8 in *Livingston County News* ([https://www.thelcn.com/news/local/suny-geneseo-student-weighing-legal-action-after-suspension-reinstatement/article\\_e23983f9-400a-5903-82af-085e11f48175.html](https://www.thelcn.com/news/local/suny-geneseo-student-weighing-legal-action-after-suspension-reinstatement/article_e23983f9-400a-5903-82af-085e11f48175.html)).

Issues Addressed: Education

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