

WGSU-FM (89.3), Geneseo, N.Y.
Issues and Programs List
First Quarter 2023

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. Global Affairs
8. Health and Safety/Quality of Life

Programming:

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).

Issues Addressed: Education, Civic Engagement/Politics, Diversity and Inclusion, Economy, Global Affairs

Segment descriptions:

Guest/topic: (Jan. 7) Rami Khouri/Arab Autocracies & U.S. Policy

Guest/topic: (Jan. 14) John Mearsheimer/Great Power Politics in the 21st Century

Guest/topic: (Jan. 21) Jules Boykoff/Martin Luther King Jr. & the FBI

Guest/topic: (Jan. 28) Timothy Snyder/The Ukraine War & the Future of Democracy

Guest/topic: (Feb. 4) Liat Ben-Moshe/Deinstitutionalization

Guest/topic: (Feb. 11) Angela Davis/Beginnings: Movements of Possibility

Guest/topic: (Feb. 18) Medea Benjamin/The Selling of the Ukraine War

Guest/topic: (Feb. 25) Robin D.G. Kelley/The Black Radical Tradition

Guest/topic: (March 4) Juan Gonzáles/The Young Lords

Guest/topic: (March 11) Manning Marable: By Any Means Necessary: Malcolm X

Guest/topic: (March 18) Medea Benjamin/The Selling of the Ukraine War

Guest/topic: (March 25) Richard Wolff/The United States of Denial

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: Washington Watch (Weekend Edition)

Aired: 10 a.m. Saturday; 11:30 p.m. Sunday

Length: 28 minutes

Description: Presents news about current issues from the nation's capital and interviews with members of Congress and other national leaders from a conservative perspective (produced by Family Research Council).

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Program: Climate Connections

Aired: 10:28 a.m. Saturday

Length: 1 minute 30 seconds

Description: Reports and analyzes impacts related to climate change and offers constructive solutions to reduce climate-related risks and wasteful energy practices (produced by the Center for Environmental Communication at Yale University and ChavoBart Digital Media).

Issues Addressed: Education, Environment/Sustainability, Health and Safety/Quality of Life

Program: Geneseo Today

Aired: 10:30 a.m. Saturday; 11 p.m. Sunday

Length: 30 minutes

Description: Features interviews with community and campus newsmakers discussing issues affecting the local community (various hosts, locally produced).

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

Segment descriptions:

Guest/topics: (Jan. 1) Beth Cholette, assistant director of counseling services, SUNY Geneseo Student Health and Counseling; discussed mental-health and other services provided to students (rebroadcast).

Guest/topics: (Jan. 7–8) Garth Freeman, director of student volunteerism and community engagement, SUNY Geneseo; and student members of Food Security Advocates, Robbie Economou and Ashley Sanchez; discussed services provided by the organization.

Guest/topics: (Jan. 14–15) Various members of the SUNY Geneseo men's hockey team; discussed their backgrounds and the hockey program (Note: Two separate 15-minute segments; rebroadcast Feb. 25–26.)

Guest/topics: (Jan. 21–22) Jamie Castillo, director of counseling services, SUNY Geneseo Student Health and Counseling; discussed his background and mental-health and wellness services offered to students. (Note: 15-minute segment piggybacked with Ruiz interview; rebroadcast March 4–5.)

Guest/topics: (Jan. 21–22) Alexander Ruiz, SUNY Geneseo student and Student Association president (2022–23); discussed his student-leadership role and the state of college-student relations. (Note: 15-minute segment piggybacked with Castillo interview; rebroadcast March 4–5.)

Guest/topics: (Jan. 28–29) Michael Restivo, associate professor and chair of sociology, SUNY Geneseo; discussed the results in the college's 2021 Campus Climate Survey (results of which were released in 2022), conducted by the Comprehensive Campus Climate Assessment Committee (a subcommittee, which he co-chaired, of the President's Commission on Diversity and Community; rebroadcast March 11–12).

Guest/topics: (Feb. 4–5) Amy Fisk, assistant dean for accessibility, SUNY Geneseo Office of Accessibility Services; discussed the results of the 2021 Campus Climate Survey, including issues related to access and accommodations for students with disabilities. (Note: 15-minute segment piggybacked with Drews interview; rebroadcast March 18–19.)

Guest/topics: (Feb. 4–5) Danielle Drews, director, SUNY Geneseo Intercollegiate Athletics and Recreation; discussed her background and goals in the position, including fundraising opportunities to enhance the experience of student-athletes. (Note: 15-minute segment piggybacked with Fisk interview; rebroadcast March 18–19.)

Guest/topics: (Feb. 11–12) Eugene Stelzig, Distinguished Teaching Professor of English (emeritus), SUNY Geneseo; discussed his new book, *True Lies and Short Takes: Assorted Life Writing Essays* (rebroadcast March 25–26).

Guest/topics: (Feb. 18–19) Replay of a talk, “From Journalist to Aspiring Saint: How Faith Kept Me Sane and Inspires Me Every Day,” by author Jane Sutter Brandt, former Rochester *Democrat and Chronicle* managing editor and deputy editorial page editor, for “Voices of Women” forum (hosted Oct. 23 at St. Mary’s Church, Rochester; recorded and broadcast with permission from the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community; 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

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: Selective Service Registration Awareness (Selective Service System)

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

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

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

Education/Health and Safety/Quality of Life: SUNY Geneseo/Food Security Advocates (SUNY Geneseo/Local)

Environment/Sustainability: Land Preservation (Genesee Valley Conservancy)

Family and Community/American and Family Values/Health and Safety/Quality of Life:

Abandoned Cats Awareness (Humane Society of Livingston County/Local)

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

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Coronavirus Response (CDC/NAB)

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Crosswalk Safety (Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee/New York State Broadcasters Association) (NCSA Announcement)

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Distracted Driving Prevention (Ad Council of Rochester)

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Freedom From Smoking (American Lung Association)

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: “If You See Something Say Something”

(U.S. Department of Homeland Security)

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

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Safe Driving (Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee/New York State Broadcasters Association) (NCSA Announcement)

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

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

Health and Safety/Quality of Life: Wellness: Flavored Milk (American Dairy Association North East)

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

Community Service/Involvement:

Awards, honors and recognition

WGSU cited in an article, “Local radio personality brings past to life in new podcast,” published online March 27 on Fox Rochester (“Good Day Rochester,” WUHF-TV) (<https://foxrochester.com/news/good-day-rochester/local-radio-personality-brings-past-to-life-in-new-podcast>).

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WGSU cited in an article, “Invasion of Privacy: The secrets of brotherly bonds between Dylan Dariano and Nathan Hubbard,” published online March 10 in *The Lamron* (<https://www.thelamron.com/knights-life/h2dsg0g4b9de19i8arxxgo36e9e3qz>).

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