



News Release

Missouri Western State University • 4525 Downs Drive • St. Joseph, MO 64507 • 816-271-5649

Contact: Kristy Hill

Phone: (816)-271-5649

Title: Public Relations/Marketing Director

Email: hillk@missouriwestern.edu

WESTERN CELEBRATES CONSTITUTION DAY

St. Joseph, Mo. —Sept. 15, 2005—Missouri Western State University’s department of government, social work, and sociology will hold a special program, “Free Speech in the Digital Age,” in conjunction with the national celebration of “Constitution Day 2005.” The event will be held at 2 p.m. Sept. 20 in Popplewell Hall, room 205.

According to Dr. Jon Euchner, assistant professor of government, the celebration of Constitution Day should remind Americans of the enduring strength of the constitution and its ability to be changed and adapted to the times.

“The program on Sept. 20 will highlight ongoing and new issues that will continue to shape constitutional issues like free speech and its relationship to technology and other changing forms of communication,” said Dr. Euchner.

The program includes a rebroadcast of a 60 minute video program from National Public Radio’s “Justice Talking” series. There will be a discussion/debate about current issues and controversies on free speech and censorship in libraries, textbooks, and the internet.

For more information, contact Dr. Euchner at 816-271-4358 or euchner@missouriwestern.edu.

—end—

Missouri Western State University is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The university offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.