The UVM Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Program Invites you to join us for our invited speaker event:

Professor Laurie Essig

Director, Gender, Sexuality and Feminist Studies at Middlebury College

"Love, Inc: Romance, Covid and Other Pandemics"

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 4:30-5:30 p.m.

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"Romance is not just fairy dust and fireworks. It is also an ideology of neoliberalism that convinces us that we can privatize our futures.

That's why we spend so much time and money on the perfect wedding or spectacular engagement. But if the Pandemic has taught us one thing, it is that our futures are not individual affairs, but rely on collective action. And yet, despite knowing this, we have turned even more to watching Hallmark movies and the fantasy that if we just meet "the one" we can find our own happily ever after. In this talk, Prof. Laurie Essig, author of Love, Inc.: Dating Apps, and Chasing the Happily Neverafter, discusses how the more precarious our collective future is, the more we turn to the promise of romance to save us."

Laurie Essig



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