

## **Civil Discourse and Freedom of Expression at WSU**

Many universities around the US are facing a range of flashpoints with responses to them varying widely. Effectively managing these flashpoints is a priority and requires proactive planning. WSU has created a Flashpoint response Team composed of administration from Strategic Communications, Student Affairs and Academic Affairs to review policies and procedures currently in place and provide recommendations for responding to such instances.

### **Resources:**

University website – [www.wichita.edu/freeexpression](http://www.wichita.edu/freeexpression) - includes a host of information, including:

- A complete freedom of expression curriculum packet for instructors from the Office of Instructional Resources.
- A video that explains topics such as freedom of speech, free expression, the First Amendment, etc.
- A new section full of guidance for faculty, staff and students to encourage and promote civil, thoughtful and constructive discussions.