



**Forum on Hate Crime**  
**June 2, 2023**  
**9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**University of Southern Maine**  
**Hannaford Hall**

*A public forum addressing hate crime and  
its impact*

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**This forum is free of charge, but registration is required to reserve your space and lunch.**

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## Keynote Speaker: Dr. Frank Pezzella

Dr. Pezzella, associate professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, has written and spoken widely about hate crime in the United States. He is the author of more than 17 articles and two major books: *The Measurement of Hate Crime in America*, and *Hate Crime Statutes: A Public Policy and Law Enforcement Dilemma*. Dr. Pezzella has researched mass shootings as well as isolated instances of bias crime, and is considered one of the nation's leading experts on the topic.



## Active Bystander Training

Clara Porter, Director of *Prevention. Action. Change.* will provide an interactive Bystander Training, taking us through the many options for assessing and reporting bias-based incidents that we may witness. We can all play an essential role in preventing and prosecuting hate crimes in our communities.

**Engage with community leaders and meet members of the Maine Attorney General's Civil Rights team. Learn about local resources and services for victims of hate crime and bias incidents. Call or email NEAAO for more information: [info@NEAAO.org](mailto:info@NEAAO.org) or 207-347-0249.**

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