
Description: My talk investigates the political and social legacies of 10% as a measure of the proportion of people engaging in same gender sex. In their efforts to measure sexual behavior, social scientists played an important role in the modern gay rights movement and gay identity politics. Measures of sexual practice and people's critique and interpretation of these measures shaped how participants in an emerging gay political movement understood themselves, how and when they organized, and the political strategies they and their opponents adopted.

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