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"Women religious activists, particularly around social justice issues, are creating and promoting a distinct public vision for American politics and society. Their focus on stewardship, compassion, individual dignity, and interconnectedness as political values challenges basic ideas about the roles of individuals and government in American society."

Areas of expertise

- The influence of women social justice activists on politics, religious institutions, and the women's movement
- Female political participation, employment and earnings, social and economic autonomy, access to sex education and family planning resources, and general health of women across the fifty states

Topics in the News

- Moral values
- Women's civic and political participation
- Parity in pay between men and women

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

Biography

Amy Caiazza leads a working group of distinguished feminists and religious activists, and is building bridges between the two communities. She has led a variety of projects on women's political and civic participation domestically and internationally, including a current project on women's values, activism, and leadership within religious and interfaith social justice groups. She also oversees the Institute for Women's Policy Research's project on The Status of Women in the States and has played an active role in developing its research and outreach components.

Resources by this expert

- *New York Times*, December 5, by Steve Greenhouse, [With the Democratic Congress, Groups Gear Up for Fight Over Paid Sick Days](#) 
- *The Ties That Bind: Women's Public Vision for Politics, Religion, and Civil Society* (Institute for Women's Policy Research, 2005)
- *Mothers and Soldiers: Gender, Citizenship, and Civil Society in Contemporary Russia* (Routledge, 2002)
- *The Status of Women in the States: Politics-Economics-Health-Rights-Demographics* (Institute for Women's Policy Research series, 1998-2004)
- *Does Women's Representation in Elected Office Lead to Women-Friendly Policy?* (*Women and Politics*, 2005)
- *Don't Bowl at Night: Gender, Safety, and Civic Participation*. *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*. Winter, 2005.

Recent Interviews & Articles

- *New York Times*, December 5, 2006, by Steve Greenhouse, [With the Democratic Congress, Groups Gear Up for Fight Over Paid Sick Days](#) 
- *U.S. News & World Report*, August 23, 2006, [Could New Orleans become the new China?](#) 
- Altnet, May 31, 2006, "[Motherhood Discrimination](#)" 
- December 15, 2005 [Politics, Religion & Women's Public Vision: Online Discussion with Amy Caiazza and Rita Nakashima Brock](#) 
- *Newsday* (cover story), October 13, 2005 "Feminists: the young and the restless. Newer grassroots movements grows with wider focus on bigger issues."
- *PBS' To the Contrary*, June 23, 2005 "The Real Women's Agenda"
- *Associated Press*, June 20, 2005 "Women Urged to Be Active in Values Debate."
- *New York Times*, May 8, 2005 "The Economic Unit Called Supermom."
- *The Washington Post*, November 17, 2004 "D.C. Tops Nation In Women's Pay, Equity With Men"

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