**The Initiative on the Ethical and Social Implications of Science and Technology**

**and the Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Speaker Series**

**PRESENT**

***Creating Perfect Babies?***

***Reprogenetic Technologies and Ethics***

**Monday, September 10th at 4:10pm**

**Procrastinator Theater (SUB)**

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Reprogenetic technologies, which combine the power of reproductive technologies with the tools of genetic science and technology, give prospective parents a remarkable degree of control not simply over whether and when to have a child, but also over a variety of a future child’s characteristics.  While many have enthusiastically embraced these technologies, this presentation will challenge the assumptions underlying such assessments.

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