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The Rhetoric of Silence
Strategies of keeping and breaking
silence

When silence is our rhetorical choice, we can use it purposefully and productively — but when it is not our choice, but someone else's for us, it can be insidious, particularly when someone else's choice for us comes in the shape of institutional structure. To wit, a person can choose silence, but the choice isn't really hers because speaking out will be professional suicide. In short, she's been disciplined — and silenced.

Glenn's rhetorical scholarship has earned her National Endowment for the Humanities and Mellon fellowships, the Richard Braddock Award from *College Composition and Communication*, the Outstanding Article Award from *Rhetoric Review*, and the 2009 Rhetorician of the Year Award.

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