

Sherry Turkle: The Flight from Conversation

November 20, 2014

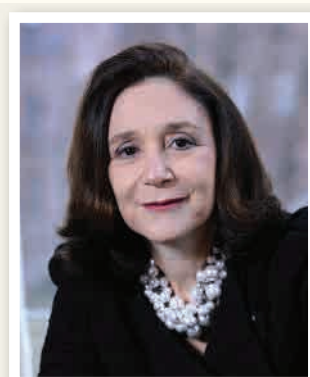
6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

The Ohio Union, East Ballroom

1739 N. High St. | Columbus, OH 43210

A generation has grown up feeling that “I would rather text than talk.” And believing that it is possible to share our attention during almost everything we do. What are the costs of a “flight from conversation” in personal life, among one’s family and friends? What are the costs in the work world? And most important, what can we do about it?

Co-sponsored with the Humanities Institute and the Department of Sociology



*Provost's Discovery
Themes Lecturer
Sherry Turkle*

Sherry Turkle is a professor, author, consultant, researcher and licensed clinical psychologist who has spent the last 30 years researching the psychology of people’s relationships with technology. She is the Abby Rockefeller Mauzé Professor of the Social Studies of Science and Technology in the Program in Science, Technology, and Society at MIT, and founder and current director of the MIT Initiative on Technology and Self.

Referred to by many as the “Margaret Mead of digital culture,” Turkle offers a unique perspective on technology and social interaction, and on the psychological dimensions of technological change. Her work investigates the intersection of digital technology and human relationships, from the early days of personal computers to our current world of robotic, artificial intelligence, social networking and mobile connectivity.



THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY