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Tucker Center for Research on Girls & Women in Sport

Changing Landscape of College Sport & the Impact on Women

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2022 6:00-7:30PM

Fifty years after the passing of Title IX, a landmark civil rights law, the landscape of intercollegiate athletics for women has changed dramatically. This panel of multidisciplinary scholars will discuss what Title IX has accomplished as well as continued injustices, unevenness, and structural inequalities and what the next 50 years might look like for women in college athletics. In addition, panelists will offer scholarly insights on the many current sociocultural, political, legal, and policy changes, how the media covers these issues, and the impact on women in US college sports and beyond.

Moderated by Tucker Center Director, Dr. Nicole M. LaVoi.

Erin Buzuvis, JD, is a Professor of Law & Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at Western New England University. Buzuvis researches and writes about gender and discrimination in education and athletics, including such topics as Title IX’s application to campus disciplinary proceedings for sexual assault, Title IX and college athletics reform, LGBTQ inclusion in high school and college athletics, and retaliation and related discrimination against female college coaches.

Victoria Jackson, PhD, is a sports historian and Clinical Assistant Professor of History in the School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies at Arizona State University. Jackson writes and speaks about the intersection of sport and society, exploring how the games we play (and watch) tell us much about the communities – local, national, and global – in which we live. She brings a historian’s eye to the project of designing future sports systems that are inclusive, equitable, and just. She is writing a book on the past, present, and future of college sports.

Ajhanai Keaton, PhD, is an Assistant Professor in the department of Health and Sport Sciences at the University of Louisville. She studies how race and gender (in)equity informs organizational leadership, processes, and experiences. Her work highlights how social inequities manifest in institutional myths, assumptions, and structures. Additionally, she draws upon organizational institutionalism and sociological theories to study sports.

Elizabeth Sharrow, PhD, is an Associate Professor of History and Public Policy at the University of Mass-Amherst. Her scholarly interests are in the history of public policy and the politics of sex and gender in the United States. Her current research focuses on Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, particularly its application to the domain of sports. She is interested in the ways public policy has shaped understandings of gender, race, sexuality, disability, and class in U.S. politics over the past fifty years.

Erin Whiteside, PhD, is an Associate Professor in the The School of Journalism and Electronic Media at University of Tennessee. In her research she uses a feminist approach to examine the relationship between sports media and culture. She is primarily interested in diversity and ethics in the sports media workplace, discourses of gender and sexuality in sports media, and processes of cultural meaning-making through sports media consumption. She is currently writing a book on Title IX.

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