

CRITICAL SPORT COMMUNITIES: NEW DIRECTIONS IN SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP, JOURNALISM, AND ACTIVISM

Thursday, March 7, 2019, at Hofstra University
Plaza Rooms, Mack Student Center, North Campus
and

Friday, March 8, 2019, at Columbia University

Sports media remains the most consumed category of news; however, it has undergone a revolution in recent years. With the advent of new technologies, long-form journalism and multimedia features with interpretation have increasingly become valuable. Because the form requires deeper understanding of the social context in which sport operates, academics have become drawn to this type of writing. As sports integrated women, African Americans, Latinx, LGBTQ+ athletes, and individuals with disabilities, the field began to attract scholars from a variety of disciplines. This two-day symposium brings together a diverse group of scholars, journalists, and activists for workshops and public panels.

Symposium Co-Directors:

Brenda Elsey, Associate Professor of History, Hofstra University

Frank Guridy, Associate Professor of History, Columbia University

Admission is free and open to the public.

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Thursday, March 7, 2019

11:10 a.m.-12:35 p.m.

I: Gender & Sexualities in Sport

Shireen Ahmed, Freelance Writer and Sports Activist
Focuses on Muslim women in sports, and the intersections
of racism and misogyny in sport.

Katrina Karkazis, Brooklyn College, CUNY
Research focuses on "sex testing" and sport regulations that
ban female athletes with naturally high testosterone.

Jessica Luther, The Center for Sports Communication &
Media, University of Texas
Author, *Unsportsmanlike Conduct: College Football and the
Politics of Rape*

Katie Barnes, Journalist for espnW.com, ESPN.com, and
ESPN Magazine
Covers culture, LGBTQ+ issues, women's basketball,
collegiate softball and women's combat sports.

Lindsay Gibbs, Sportswriter, *ThinkProgress*
Writes about the intersection of sports, culture,
and politics.

Moderator: Brenda Elsey, Associate Professor of History,
Hofstra University; *Symposium Co-Director*

2:20-4:10 p.m.

II: Race and Black Freedom Struggle in Sport

Amira Rose Davis, Penn State University
Specializes in 20th century American History with an
emphasis on race, gender, sports and politics.

Theresa Runstedtler, American University
Research focuses on black popular culture and black
internationalism.

Frank Guridy, Columbia University; *Symposium Co-Director*
Specializes in urban history, sport history, and 20th century
social movements.

Moderator: Amy Bass, Professor of History
The College of New Rochelle

Friday, March 8, 2019, 6-8 p.m.

Faculty House, Presidential Ballroom, Columbia University

Keynote Speakers:

Michael Bennett, Defensive End, Philadelphia Eagles
with co-author

Dave Zirin, Sportswriter, *The Nation Magazine*

Bennett and Zirin are co-authors of *Things that Make White People Uncomfortable*

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