

This Is Not Progress: The Unrecognized Failure of Title IX

Jennifer Lee Hoffman, University of Washington

Abstract

This paper argues that despite the triumphs of *participation* in intercollegiate athletics that Title IX has become known for, it has largely failed to maintain a pipeline that promotes women to positions in athletic leadership. This failure parallels several other examples that suggest a pattern of gendered organizational structures and policies in higher education that discourage women from achieving positions with power and prestige in on campus. Historical cases, secondary data, and critical feminist perspectives provide evidence that like many academic disciplines and educational practices in higher education, intercollegiate athletics has a pattern of gender related structures and functions that have deconstructed women's opportunity.