



Gary Sailes Graduate Diversity Scholarship

Gary “Doc” Sailes is an award-winning professor at Indiana University. He is widely recognized for his research and advocacy on collegiate sport access and Critical Race Theory. A champion of student-athlete development, Dr. Sailes has led Congressional hearings, and presented to the International Olympic Congress on abuses in college athletics and the value of diversity across sport. A recipient of the 2011 NASSS Distinguished Service Award, “Doc” continues his support of the NASSS community by bestowing resources that annually fund the Graduate Diversity Scholarship.

In recognition of the recommendation made by the Racial Diversity Committee in the fall of 2003, the NASSS Conference Program Committee has implemented a scholarship for a graduate student who is a member of a racial or ethnic “minority” group. The purpose of the scholarship is to create a mechanism to identify racial and/or ethnic “minority” graduate students who are doing research in the area of sport sociology, and to provide a means of supporting their work and association with NASSS. The award is for \$500 to be applied toward expenses associated with attendance at the NASSS annual conference.

Recipients

2021	<i>Master's Award:</i> No Applicants <i>Doctoral Awards:</i> Edgar Compos (University of Minnesota, Twin Cities) & Ashley Gardner (University of Tennessee, Knoxville)
2020	<i>Master's Award:</i> Alleyne J. Francique, OBE (Katholieke Universiteit (KU) Leuven, Belgium) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Doctoral Award: Brandon Wallace (University of Maryland)
2019	<i>Master's Award:</i> Arturo Jaime Morales Jr. (University of Tennessee, Knoxville) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Ajhanai Channel Inez Newton (University of Connecticut)
2018	<i>Master's Award:</i> Tori Thompson (University of Maryland) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Nida Ahmad (<i>University of Waikato</i>)
2017	<i>Master's Award:</i> Dervon Francis (Western Illinois University) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Alexander Deeb (University of Tennessee, Knoxville)
2016	<i>Master's Award:</i> Urooj Shahzadi (University of Toronto) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Traci Canada (University of Virginia)
2015	<i>Master's Award:</i> Alexander Deeb (Western Illinois University) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Bahar Tajrobehkar (University of Toronto)
2014	<i>Master's Award:</i> Caroline Piquette (Laurentian University) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Ember Skye W. Kanelee (University of Massachusetts Amherst)
2013	<i>Master's Award:</i> Bahar Tajrobehkar (York University) <i>Doctoral Award:</i> Satoko Itani (University of Toronto)
2012	Chelsea Johnson (University of Southern California)



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2011	Albert Y. Bimper, Jr. (University of Texas)
2010	Nikolas Dickerson (University of Iowa)
2009	Jasmine Hamilton (Louisiana State University)
2008	Kyoung-Yim Kim (University of Toronto)
2007	Rachel Sarabia (University of California, Santa Barbara)
2006	Nicola Potopsighn (Queen's University)
2005	Bryan Bracey (University of Maryland)



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Barbara Brown Outstanding Student Paper Award

Barbara A. Brown was a professor of sport sociology at the University of Western Ontario from 1983 until 1990, when she died of cancer at the age of forty. Dr. Brown, who was President-Elect of NASSS at the time of her death, was widely recognized for her expertise on women in sport and leisure, her political commitment to extending girls' and women's opportunities for participation in sport, and her contributions to the development of a professional community of sport sociologists. She was also a dedicated mentor and teacher whose invaluable work with students is appropriately memorialized in the naming of this award for her.

Recipients

2021 Doctoral Award: Anna Posbergh (University of Maryland, College Park), "Defining 'woman': A governmentality analysis of how protective policies are created in elite women's sport"

Masters Award: Monica Nelson (University of Maryland, College Park), "Muscle Moves Mass: Constructing the 'Ideal' Athletic Body in American Olympic Weightlifting"

2020 Doctoral Award: Julie Brice (The University of Waikato), "Women's Bodies, Femininity, and Spacetime mattering: A Baradian Analysis of the Activewear Phenomenon"

Masters Award: Not Awarded in 2020

2019 Doctoral Award: Sekani L. Robinson (University of California - Santa Barbara), "Black Swans: Black Women in Ballet and the Management of Emotional and Aesthetic Labor"

Masters Award: No Masters Applicants in 2019

2018 Doctoral Award: Katelyn Esmonde (University of Maryland), "There's only so much data you can handle in your life': Accommodating and resisting self-surveillance in women's running and fitness tracking practices"

Masters Award: Ali Greey (University of Toronto), "Transcending and Terrains: Engaging the Methods of Black Geographies and Indigenous Land Education to Explore the Places of Sport"

2017 Doctoral Award: Nida Ahmad (University of Waikato), Muslim Sportswomen as Social Media Space Invaders: Recreating Identities and Challenging Stereotypes in Digital Space



Masters Award: Mitchell McSweeney (Brock University), Reflexive Accounts of a Postcolonial Ethnographer: Understanding Insider-Outsider Status

2016 Doctoral Award: Madeleine Pape (University of Wisconsin-Madison) “The fairest of them all: The science of sex difference in the Court of Arbitration for Sport”

Masters Award: Vrinda Marwah (University of Texas at Austin) “Racialized Labor in Sport: A Review of Sherpas and Himalayan Mountaineering.”

2015 Doctoral Award: Matt Hawzen (Florida State University), “Reading Tim Tebow: Sporting celebrity, whiteness and the cultural politics of morality in America”

Masters Award: Matt Crockett (San Jose State University), “A Spatial Ethnography of the CrossFit Gym”

2014 Doctoral Award: Bryan Lagae (University of Miami) African American representation in big-time sports: The case of baseball

Masters Award: Bahar Tajrobehkar (York University) Subverting the ideal? Female bodybuilding competitors’ perceptions and negotiations of the competition norms

2013 Doctoral: Gavin Weedon (University of British Columbia) Mud Running: Political Ecology Meets the Sociology of Sport

Masters: Anima Adjepong (U Texas, Austin) Rethinking sportswomen’s un/apologetics: Gender, race, and sexuality on and off the rugby pitch

2012 Masters: Shawn Forde (University of British Columbia) Look at Yourself! A Critical Discourse Analysis of Right to Play’s HIV/AIDS Prevention Manual

Doctoral: Jennifer Hades (University of Alberta) Toward a sporting common: Spectacle, biopolitical production and multitudinal becomings

2011 Masters: Letisha Engracia Cardoso Brown (University of Texas at Austin) The Spectacle of Blackness: Race, Representations and the Black Body

Doctoral: Mark Norman (University of Toronto) The Consumption and Production of Hockey Day in Canada on Twitter: Cultural Citizenship, Collective Discussion, and the Implications of New Media Communication

2010 Masters: Brittney Boliba (California State University, East Bay) - Accessibility of an Action Sport: Examining Social Inclusion/Exclusion in Kiteboarding

Doctoral: Koji Kobayashi (University of Otago) - Corporate Nationalism and Glocalization of Nike Advertising in Asia



- 2009 Sean Smith (European Graduate School of Media and Communications) - From Panoptic to Panhaptic? High Performance Running and the Societies of Control
- 2008 Masters: Lindsey Pilver (University of Massachusetts-Amherst) - "I am Naturally Competitive, but I am O.K. with Being in the Middle." Identity Negotiation and the Conflicting Discourses of Female College Athletes
- Doctoral: Michael Friedman (University of Maryland) - "The Transparency of Democracy" : Spectacle and Symbolism in the Design of Washington National Park
- 2007 Masters: Jennifer J. Hardes (Ohio State University) - More than Merely "Me"?: "Identity Politics" and the Paradigmatic Assumptions of Sport Sociologists
- Doctoral: Simon C. Darnell (University of Toronto) - Post-hegemony? Investigating the Utility of Sport within International Development
- 2006 Barbara Ravel (Université de Montreal) - "I Play Hockey and I'm Gaie But Don't Call me Butch!": Discursive Constructions of Gender and Sexuality in Québec Women's Sport
- 2005 Holly Thorpe (University of Waikato) - Beyond 'Decorative Sociology': Contextualizing Female Surf, Skate and Snow Boarding
- 2004 Jamie Schultz (University of Iowa) - "Staff of Which Legends are Made": Jack Trice Stadium and the Politics of Memory
- 2003 Benita Heiskanen (University of Texas) - Boxing Womanhood: Spatio-Bodily Dialogue in Texas
- 2002 Parissa Safai (University of Toronto) - Healing the Body in the 'Culture of Risk': Examining the Negotiation of Treatment between Medicine Clinicians and Injured Athletes in Canadian Intercollegiate Sport
- 2001 Jeanne Kay (Université de Montréal) - The Corporate Habitus in Adventure Racing
- 2000 Christine Provvidenza (University of Toronto) - A Feminist Discourse Analysis of "Heart Smart Women: Your Guide to Your Health"
- 1999 Jay Scherer (University of Windsor) - Globalization and the Construction of Local Particularities: A Case Study of the Winnipeg Jets
- 1998 Theresa Walton (University of Iowa) - Steve Prefontaine: From Rebel with a Cause to Bourgeois Hero
- 1997 Michael Atkinson (University of Calgary) - Controlling the (FAN)Fare: The Role of Ticket Scalpers in Determining Access to Sporting Events
- 1996 Brian Wilson (McMaster University) - The Black Athlete in Canada: Race, Representation and the Toronto Raptors
- 1995 Shari Dworkin (University of Southern California) - A Woman's Place is in the ... Cardiovascular Room?: Gender Relations, the Body and the Gym
- 1994 Faye Linda Wachs (University of Southern California) - A Structural Analysis of College Basketball: The Negotiation of Capital



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- 1993 Jennifer Joslin (University of Iowa) - Out of the Vacuum, Onto the Playing Field: Hoover-Bali and the Resurrection of an American President
- 1992 Samatha King (Queen's University) - The Politics of the Body and the Body Politic: Magic Johnson and the Ideology of AIDS
- 1991 David Andrews (University of Illinois) - All Consumed Bodies: Baudrillard, Hyperreality and the Cybematic Construction of Michael Jordan
- 1990 Lisa McDermott (Queen's University) - Towards an Integrative Critique of Modern Sport
- 1989 Laurel Davis (University of Iowa) Racism and the Articulation of Differences: White Athletes
- 1982 Cathy Bray (University of Alberta) - Gender and Political Economy of Canadian Sport
- 1981 Jacqueline Gillis (University of North Carolina-Greensboro) - American Civil Religion and Sport



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Outstanding Sociology of Sport Journal Article Award

This award is presented to the author of the best article published in SSJ from the previous calendar year. There is no application process; all articles from the previous calendar year are automatically entered.

Recipients

2021	Thomas P. Oates (University of Iowa), <i>Where I'm From": Jay-Z's "Hip Hop Cosmopolitanism," Basketball, and the Neoliberal Politics of Urban Space</i>
2020	Moss Norman (University of British Columbia), Michael Hart (University of Calgary), LeAnne Petherick (University of British Columbia), <i>Indigenous Gender Reformations: Physical Culture, Settler Colonialism and the Politics of Containment</i>
2019	Matthew Atencio, Becky Beal, E. Missy Wright, & ZáNean McClain (Cal State-East Bay), <i>Moving Boarders: Skateboarding and the Changing Landscape of Urban Youth Sports</i>
2018	Cheryl Cooky: <i>We Cannot Stand Idly By: A Necessary Call for Public Sociology of Sport</i>
2017	Holly Thorpe: <i>Athletic Women's Experiences of Amenorrhea: Biomedical Technologies, Somatic Ethics and Embodied Subjectivities</i>
2016	Jonathon Magee, Ramon Spaaij & Ruth Jeanes: <i>"It's recovery United for me": Promises and pitfalls of football as part of mental health recovery.</i>
2015	Samantha King, Scott Carey, Naila Jinnah, Rob Millington, Andrea Phillipson, Carolyn Prouse, and Matt Ventresca <i>"When is a Drug Not a Drug? Troubling Silences and Unsettling Painkillers in the National Football League"</i>
2014	Kyoung-Yim Kim <i>Translation With Abusive Fidelity: Methodological Issues in Translating Media Texts About Korean LPGA Players</i>
2013	Koji Kobayashi <i>Corporate Nationalism and Globalization of Nike Advertising in Asia</i>
2012	Michael A. Messner <i>Gender ideologies, youth sports and the production of soft essentialism</i>
2011	Ryan King-White (Towson University) <i>Danny Almonte: Discursive Construction(s) of (Im)migrant Citizenship in Neoliberal America</i>
2010	Thomas Patrick Oates (Penn State University) - <i>New Media and the Repackaging of NFL Fandom</i>



2009	Samantha King (Queen's University) - <i>What's Queer About (Queer) Sport Sociology Now?</i>
2008	Lisa McDermott (University of Alberta) - <i>A Governmental Analysis of Children "at Risk" in a World of Physical Inactivity and Obesity Epidemics</i>
2007	Laura Frances Chase (California State Polytechnic University, Pomona) - <i>(Un)Disciplined Bodies: A Foucauldian Analysis of Women's Rugby</i>
2006	Cynthia Fabrizio Pelak (University of Memphis) - <i>Athletes as Agents of Change: An Examination of Shifting Race Relations Within Women's Netball in Post-Apartheid South Africa</i>
2005	Jay Scherer (University of Alberta) and Steven J. Jackson (University of Otago) - <i>From Corporate Welfare to National Interest: Newspaper Analysis of the Public Subsidization of NHL Hockey Debate in Canada</i>
2004	Ted Butryn (San Jose State University) - <i>Posthuman Podiums: Cyborg Narratives of Elite Track and Field Athletes</i>
2003	Joanne Kay and Suzanne Laberge (Université de Montréal) - <i>Mapping the Field of "AR": Adventure Racing and Bourdieu's Concept of Field</i>
2002	Michael Silk (University of Maryland) - <i>Together We're One? The Place of the Nation in Media Representations of the 1998 Kuala Lumpur Commonwealth Games</i>
2001	Alan G. Ingham, Bryan J. Blissmer, and Kristen Wells Davidson (Miami University) - <i>The Expendable Prolympic Self. Going Beyond the Boundaries of the Sociology of Sport</i>
1999	Heather Sykes (University of Wisconsin) - <i>Turning the Closets Inside/Out: Towards a Queer-Feminist Theory in Women's Physical Education</i>
1997	Margaret MacNeill (University of Toronto) - <i>Network: Producing Olympic Ice Hockey for a National Television Audience</i>
1995	Naomi Fejgin (Wingate Institute) - <i>Participation in High School Competitive Sports: A Subversion of School Mission or Contribution to Academic Goals?</i>
1993	Tim Curry (Ohio State University) - <i>Fraternal Bonding in the Locker Room: A Profeminist Analysis of Talk About Competition and Women</i>



Outstanding Book Award

This award is presented to the author(s) of the most outstanding book published in the previous calendar year.

Recipients

2021	Courtney Szto (Queen's University), <i>Changing on the Fly: Hockey through the Voices of South Asian Canadian</i>
2020	Hugo Ceron-Anaya (Lehigh University), <i>Privilege at Play: Class, Race, Gender and Golf in Mexico</i>
2019	Matthew Atencio, Becky Beal, E. Missy Wright, & ZaNean McClain (Cal State-East Bay), <i>Moving Boarders: Skateboarding and the Changing Landscape of Urban Youth Sports</i>
2018	Nicole Willms, <i>When Women Rule the Court: Gender, Race, and Japanese American Basketball</i>
2017	Lindsay Parks Pieper, <i>Sex testing: Gender policing in women's sports</i>
2016	James Holstein, Richard Jones, and George Koonce: <i>Is There Life After Football? Surviving the NFL</i>
2015	Alan Klein (Northeastern University) <i>Dominican Baseball: New Pride, Old Prejudice</i>
2014	Jeffrey Montez de Oca (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs) <i>Discipline and Indulgence: College Football, Media, and the American Way of Life During the Cold War</i>
2013	Katie Fitzpatrick (University of Auckland) <i>Critical Pedagogy, Physical Education and Urban Schooling</i>
2012	Joshua Newman and Michael Giardina (both Florida State University) <i>Sport, Spectacle, and NASCAR Nation: Consumption and the Cultural Politics of Neoliberalism</i>
2011	Emily Chivers Yochim (Allegheny College) <i>Skate Life: Re-Imagining White Masculinity</i>
2010	Shari L. Dworkin (UCSF) and Faye Linda Wachs (Cal Poly Pomona) - <i>Body Panic: Gender, Health and the Selling of Fitness</i>
2009	Thomas F. Carter (University of Brighton) - <i>The Quality of Home Runs</i>
2008	Earl Smith (Wake Forest University) - <i>Race, Sport and the American Dream</i>
2007	Pirkko Markula (University of Alberta) and Richard Pringle (University of Waikato) - <i>Foucault, Sport and Exercise: Power Knowledge and Transforming the Self</i>



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2006	Michael D. Giardina (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) - <i>Sporting Pedagogies: Performing Culture & Identity in the Global Arena</i>
2005	Sherri Grasmuck (Temple University) - <i>Protecting Home: Class, Race, and Masculinity in Boys' Baseball</i>
2004	Michael Messner (University of Southern California) - <i>Taking the Field- Women, Men and Sport</i>
2003	Dan Nathan (Skidmore College) - <i>Saying It's So: A Cultural History of the Black Sox Scandal</i>
2002	Michael Robidoux (University of Ottawa) - <i>Men at Play: A Working Understanding of Professional Hockey</i>
2001	Nancy Theberge (University of Waterloo) - <i>Higher Goals: Women's Ice Hockey and the Politics of Gender</i>
2000	Varda Burstyn (Independent writer) - <i>The Rites of Men: Manhood, Politics, and the Culture of Sport</i>
1999	Eric Dunning (University of Leicester) - <i>Sport Matters: Sociological Studies of Sport, Violence, and Civilization</i>
1998	John Sugden (University of Brighton) - <i>Boxing and Society: An International Analysis</i>
1997	Alan Klein (Northeastern University) - <i>Baseball on the Border</i>
1996	Jennifer Hargreaves (University of Surrey Roehampton) - <i>Sporting Females: Critical Issues in the History and Sociology of Women's Sports</i>
1995	Todd Crosset (University of Massachusetts) - <i>Outsiders in the Clubhouse: Class and Gender on the Women's Professional Golf Tour</i>
1994	
1993	Michael Messner (University of Southern California) - <i>Power at Play: Sport and the Problems of Masculinity</i>



NASSS Service Excellence Award

The NASSS Service Excellence Award is awarded at our annual meeting to an individual who has offered distinguished service and longtime contributions to the organization (NASSS), and/or the area of the sociology of sport more generally.

Recipients

2021	Not Awarded
2020	Billy Hawkins (University of Houston)
2019	Brenda Riemer (Eastern Michigan University)
2018	Mary McDonald (Georgia Institute of Technology)
2017	Gertrud Pfister (Københavns Universitet)
2017	Eric Dunning (University of Leicester)
2016	Norman Denzin (University of Illinois)
2015	Mary Jo Kane (University of Minnesota)
2014	R. Vivian Acosta (Brooklyn College) and Linda Jean Carpenter (Brooklyn College)
2013	Nancy Spencer (Bowling Green University)
2012	Merrill Melnick (SUNY Brookport) & Peter Donnelly (University of Toronto)
2011	Don Sabo (D'Youville College) & Gary Sailes (Indiana University)
2010	Joseph Maguire (Loughborough University)
2009	Susan Birrell (University of Iowa) & Harry Edwards (University of California, Berkeley)
2008	Jennifer Hargreaves (Universities of Surrey and Brighton, UK) & Richard Lapchick (University of Central Florida)
2007	Mike Malec (Boston College) & Michael Messner (University of Southern California)
2006	Vicky Paraschak (University of Windsor)
2005	Nancy Theberge (University of Waterloo)
2004	Jim Frey (University of Nevada–Las Vegas)



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2003 John Loy (Universities of Illinois and Otago)

2002 Andrew Yiannakis (University of Connecticut) & Susan Greendorfer (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

2001 George Sage (University of Northern Colorado) & D. Stanley Eitzen (Colorado State University)

1996 Jay Coakley (University of Colorado–Colorado Springs), Gunther Lueschen (University of Alabama), & Lee Vander Velden (University of Maryland)

1995 Gerald Kenyon (Universities of Wisconsin and Waterloo)



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Sociology of Sports Journal (SSJ) Early Career Researcher Award

Sponsored by Human Kinetics, we are pleased to announce the "SSJ Early Career Researcher Award", to be awarded to an early career NASSS member "in recognition of significant scholarly contributions to the sociology of sport field." The winner of the award will receive U.S.\$1,000 and be recognized at the annual NASSS business meeting/awards.

Recipients

2021	Danielle Peers, University of Alberta
2020	Kyle Bunds, North Carolina State University
2019	Dr. Rachel Allison, University of Mississippi
2018	Dr. Joseph Cooper, University of Connecticut
2017	Lyndsay Hayhurst, York University, Canada
2016	Brad Millington, University of Bath, UK
2015	Holly Thorpe, University of Waikato, New Zealand



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NASSS Fellows

North American Society for the Sociology of Sport members wishing to gain Research Fellow status must have a continuous and high-quality record of scholarship.

Posthumous Award Recipients

Barbara A. Brown

James Curtis

D. Stanley Eitzen

Alan G. Ingham

2021 Recipients

Rachel Allison, Mississippi State University

Chris Knoester, Ohio State University

2020 Recipients

Susan Greendorfer, University of Illinois

Jeffrey Montez de Oca, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

2019 Recipients

Dr. Dominic Malcolm, Loughborough University

Dr. Faye Linda Wachs, Cal Poly Pomona

2018 Recipients

Jim Denison, University of Alberta

Louis Harrison, University of Texas at Austin

Billy Hawkins, University of Houston

Ryan King-White, Towson University

Robert Rinehart, University of Waikato



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Holly Thorpe, University of Waikato

Theresa Walton-Fisette, Kent State University

Lawrence Wenner, Loyola Marymount University

2017 Recipients

David L. Andrews, University of Maryland at College Park

Toni Bruce, University of Auckland

Ted M. Butryn, San Jose State University

Cheryl Cooky, Purdue University

Simon C. Darnell, University of Toronto

Bryan E. Denham, Clemson University

Michael D. Giardina, Florida State University

Audrey Giles, University of Ottawa

Lyndsay Hayhurst, York University

John D. Horne, University of Central Lancashire

Steven J. Jackson, University of Otago

Annelies Knoppers, University of Utrecht

Pirkko Markula, University of Alberta

Michael Messner, University of Southern California

Joshua I. Newman, Florida State University

Richard Pringle, University of Auckland

Jay Scherer, University of Alberta

John Sugden, University of Brighton

Heather J. Sykes, University of Toronto

Alan Tomlinson, University of Brighton

Cathy van Ingen, Brock University

Brian Wilson, University of British Columbia