

## Office of Sexual Harassment Prevention & Policy (OSHPP)

This electronic newsletter provides an update on sexual harassment and gender discrimination issues.

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The U.S. Department of Education has established the Commission on Opportunity in Athletics to examine Title IX. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination based on sex in educational institutions that receive federal funding. The Commission has scheduled a series of 6 public meetings around the country to collect information, analyze issues, and obtain broad public input to improve federal standards for assessing equal opportunity in athletics. The San Diego Town Hall Meeting will be held on November 20-21, 2002. This meeting is open to the public. For more information, log on to <http://www.ed.gov/inits/commissionsboards/athletics/thm.html>. To register to attend the San Diego meeting, email the Commission at [opportunityinathletics@ed.gov](mailto:opportunityinathletics@ed.gov) or fax (202) 260-4560.

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A Federal district court ruled that Title IX gender discrimination law applies outside the United States to education programs receiving federal dollars. Several female students of Eastern Michigan University complained that they were subjected to sexual harassment by male students during a study abroad program in South Africa. The court decided that the anti-discrimination legislation was intended to include application to such programs outside the U.S. This is the first time a court has decided the issue of extraterritorial application of Title IX. *King v. Board of Control of Eastern Michigan University*.

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The Office of Sexual Harassment Prevention and Policy, The Cross Cultural Center, The Women's Center, and The University Centers present "Storytelling", Tuesday, October 8, 2002, 7 and 10 pm FREE at the Price Center Theatre. "Storytelling", directed by Todd Solondz and shown at the 2002 Sundance Film Festival, explores issues of sex, race, and exploitation. The first half of the film explores the relationships between white college students and their black male professor in a creative writing class. Described as provocative and darkly humorous, the film is the second in OSHPP's Sex in the Cinema Series. For more film information, visit <http://www.storytellingmovie.com>.

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