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Degrees Earned

Ph.D. in Cultural Studies, University of Tennessee, 2001

M.S. in Community Health, University of Toronto, 1998

B.A. in Psychology, Kent State University, 1996

Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Articles

Polasek, K.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2011, in press). Negotiating the gay male stereotype in ballet and modern dance. *Research in Dance Education*.

Roper, E.A. (2010). Publications/Information Division Head Report. *Association for Applied Sport Psychology Newsletter*, 25(3), p. 5.

Roper, E.A. (2010). Running within: A guide to mastering the body-mind-spirit connection for ultimate training and racing. *The Sport Psychologist*, 24, 268-269.

Roper, E.A. (2009). On the sidelines: The roles and responsibilities of the Diamond Dolls in intercollegiate baseball. *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*, 18(2), 52-59.

Roper, E.A. (2009). Spotlight on diversity. *Association for Applied Sport Psychology Newsletter*, 23, p. 24-25.

Schinke, R., & **Roper, E.A.** (2009). Editorial. *Athletic Insight*, 11(3). [Co-edited entire issue of *Athletic Insight* devoted to Cultural Sport Psychology (2009, vol. 11)].

Roper, E.A. (2008). Career experiences of women in applied sport psychology. *Journal of Applied Sport Psychology*, 20, 408-424.

Roper, E.A. & Halloran, E. (2007). Attitudes toward gay men and lesbians among heterosexual male and female student-athletes. *Sex Roles: A Journal of Research*, 57, 919 – 928.

Roper, E.A., & Polasek, K. (2006). Negotiating the space of a “predominately gay” fitness facility. *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*, 15(1), 14-27.

- Roper, E.A.** (2005). The Good Body. *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*, 14(2), 84-88.
- Fisher, L.A., Butryn, T.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2005). Diversifying (and politicizing) sport psychology through cultural studies: A promising perspective revisited. *Athletic Insight Online Journal*, 7(3) [www.athleticinsight.com].
- Roper, E.A.**, Fisher, L.A., & Wrisberg, C.A. (2005). Women's experiences working in the field of sport psychology: A feminist standpoint approach. *The Sport Psychologist*, 19, 32-50.
- Roper, E.A.** (2004). Out on the field: Gender, sport and sexualities. *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*, 13(2), 100-101.
- Fisher, L.A., Butryn, T.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2003). Diversifying (and politicizing) sport psychology through cultural studies: A promising perspective. *The Sport Psychologist*, 17, 391-405.
- Roper, E.A.**, Molnar, D.J., & Wrisberg, C.A. (2003). No old fool: 88 years old and still running. *Journal of Aging and Physical Activity*, 11(3) 370-387.
- Roper, E.A.** (2002). Femininity and the physically active woman. *The Sport Psychologist*, 16, 460-462.
- Roper, E.A.** (2002). Examining the gender bias in sport psychology: Women working in the applied domain. *Journal of Applied Sport Psychology*, 14(1), 53-66.
- Giacobbi, P.R., **Roper, E.A.**, Whitney, J., & Butryn, T. (2002). College coaches' views about the development of successful athletes: A descriptive exploratory investigation. *Journal of Sport Behavior*, 25, 164-179.
- Roper, E.A.** (2001). The personal becomes political: Exploring the potential of feminist sport psychology. *The Sport Psychologist*, 15, 445-449.

Book Chapters

- Roper, E.A.** (2011, In progress). Gender, identity and sport. In S. Murphy (Ed.), *Handbook on Sport and Performance Psychology*. Oxford University Press.
- Santiago, J., & **Roper, E.A.** (2010, In press). The role of the physical educator in educating students with disabilities. In C. Simpson & J.P. Bakken, J.P. (Eds.), *A Collaborative Approach to Teaching Children with Special Needs*. Waco, TX: Prufrock Press.
- Fisher, L.A., **Roper, E.A.**, & Butryn, T.M. (In press). Revisiting diversity and politics in sport psychology through cultural studies: Where are we five years later? In R. Schinke (Ed.) *Contemporary sport psychology*. Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers.
- Fisher, L.A., **Roper, E.A.**, & Butryn, T.M. (2008). Coming unglued: Engaging cultural studies and “traditional” sport psychology. In R. Schinke and S. Hanrahan (Eds.) *Cultural sport psychology: From research to practice*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.

Presentations/Posters

Roper, E.A., & Clifton, A. (2011). Representations of physically active girls in children's picture books. Presentation given at the North Atlantic Sport Psychology (NASP) Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

Roper, E.A. (2010). Viewing through the 'Diversities' Kaleidoscope. Moderator for Invited Diversity Lecture at the Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) Conference. Providence, RI.

Roper, E.A. (2009). From the sidelines: The roles and responsibilities of the Diamond Dolls in intercollegiate baseball. Presentation given at the Sport, Sexuality, and Culture Conference. Ithaca, NY.

Roper, E.A. (2009). From the sidelines: The roles and responsibilities of the Diamond Dolls in intercollegiate baseball. Presentation to be given at the Sport, Sexuality and Culture Conference. Ithaca, NY.

Roper, E.A. (2008). Perceptions of fear and concerns for safety among female recreational athletes. Presentation given at the annual Association for Applied Sport Psychology conference (AASP). Saint Louis, MI.

Roper, E.A. (2007). Teaching sport sociology: Lessons learned and challenges faced in the classroom. Presentation given at the annual North American Society for the Sociology of Sport (NASSS). Pittsburgh, PA.

Roper, E.A. (2007). Recreational female runners' perceptions of fear and concerns for safety. Presentation given at the Girls and Women Rock: Academic and Legal Conference. Cleveland, Ohio.

Polasek, K.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2007). Relational patterns among male ballet and modern dancers. Poster presentation to be given at the annual American Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AAHPERD) conference. Baltimore, MD.

Roper, E.A. (2006). Career experiences of women working in applied sport and exercise psychology. Presentation given at the annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Miami, Florida.

Polasek, K.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2006) Relational patterns among male ballet and modern dancers. Poster presentation to be given at the annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Miami, Florida.

Roper, E.A., Appleby, K.M., & Fearheller, D. (2006). Recreational female runners perceptions of fear and concerns for safety. Presentation given at the annual North American Society for the Sociology of Sport (NASSS) conference. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Van Raalte, J., **Roper, E.A.,** Halloran, E.M., Polasek, K.M., Abrams, M., & Mintz, M. (2005). Sex and sexuality issues in training and practice of applied sport psychology. Symposium given at the annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Diehl, C., & **Roper, E.A.** (2005). "The land of dreams and opportunities:" A qualitative examination of international student-athletes' transition experiences. Poster presentation given at the annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Allen, S., & **Roper, E.A.** (2005). Elite rowers' experiences of athletic burnout. Poster presentation given at the annual Association of the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Alleyne, R., **Roper, E.A.**, Butryn, T., Hall, R., & Oglesby, C. (2004). Practical suggestions for integrating issues of race and ethnicity into the field of sport psychology. Symposium presented at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Minneapolis, MN.

Polasek, K., **Roper, E.A.**, & Halloran. (2004). Trash talking in women's professional sport. Poster presentation at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Minneapolis, MN.

LaVoi, N., Fisher, L.A., & **Roper, E.A.** (2003). Competition, connection, and conflict among female athletes. Symposium given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Philadelphia, Pa.

Roper, E.A., & Polasek, K. (2003). The lesbian athlete as sexual predator: Debunking assumptions surrounding sexual harassment and sexuality. Symposium given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Philadelphia, Pa.

Appleby, K.M., & **Roper, E.A.** (2003). Mentoring in sport and exercise psychology: Graduate students' perceptions and experiences of being mentored. Poster presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Philadelphia, Pa.

Yannelli, S., Nguyen, S., **Roper, E.A.**, & Sachs, M. (2003). Issues to consider when working with Asian American athletes. Poster presentation presented at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Philadelphia, Pa.

Roper, E.A., Molnar, D., & Wrisberg, C.A. (April, 2003). No old fool: 88 years old and still running. Presentation given at the AAHPERD National Convention. Philadelphia, Pa.

Bloom, G., Coleman, M., Monroe, K., & **Roper, E.A.** (2002). Young professionals in sport psychology. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Tucson, AZ.

Roper, E.A. (2002). Women's experiences working in the field of sport psychology: A feminist examination. Dissertation Award presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Tucson, AZ.

Roper, E.A. (2002). Competing with (against) self and other: Sportswomen's experience of competition. Poster presentation at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Tucson, AZ.

Van Raalte, J., **Roper, E.A.**, Bringer, J., & Hankes, D. (2002). Addressing sexual harassment in sport psychology: Considerations for practitioners and academicians. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Tucson, AZ.

Roper, E.A. (2001). Professional women in sport psychology: A feminist perspective. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Orlando, FL.

Fisher, L.A., Gentner, N., **Roper, E.A.**, McGraw, T., McMaster, M., Patel, A., Czech, D., & Butryn, T. (2001). Cultural studies and sport psychology. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Orlando, FL.

Roper, E.A. (2000). Women working in the applied domain: Examining the gender bias in applied sport psychology. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference. Nashville, TN.

Roper, E.A. (2000). Reflections on competition between women in sport: Examining its appropriateness. Presentation given at the National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) conference, Boston, Mass., United States.

Roper, E.A., & Kerr, G. (1999). Athletes' perceived sources of anxiety. Poster Presentation at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference, Banff, Alberta, Canada.

Dieffenbach, K; **Roper, E.A.**, Holliday, B; and Whitney, J. (1999). Presenting a professional image: Issues faced by apprentices in applied sport psychology. Workshop at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) conference, Banff, Alberta, Canada.

Roper, E.A. (1999). From a distance: Consulting via e-mail. Presentation at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) Conference, Banff, Alberta, Canada.

Giacobbi, P., Whitney, J., **Roper, E.A.**, & Butryn, T. (1999). College coaches' views about the development of successful athletes: A descriptive exploratory investigation. Poster Presentation at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) Conference, Banff, Alberta, Canada.

Roper, E.A., & Kerr, G. (1998). Athletes' assessment of a mental skills program. Presentation given at the Annual Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology (AAASP) Conference, Cape Cod, Mass., United States.

Work or Professional Experiences

August 2006 – Present Assistant Professor, Health and Kinesiology, Sam Houston State University

August 2001 – Present Assistant Professor, Kinesiology, Temple University

Honors and Awards

2002 Outstanding Dissertation Award
Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP)

2001 Professional Promise Award
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
College of Education

Other Competencies

Publications/Information Division Head, Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) Executive Board (October 2010 – October 2013)

Chair, Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) Diversity Committee (October, 2005 – October 2010)

Chair-Elect, Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) Web Content Committee (October, 2008 – October 2010)

Member, Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP) Graduate Program Committee (October, 2004 – October 2009)

Chair, Texas Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (TXAHPERD) Research Division (December 2008 – December 2009)

Associate Editor, *Athletic Insight: The Online Journal of Sport Psychology* (Feb 2007 – Feb 2010)

Guest Reviewer

- *Journal of Applied Sport Psychology*
- *Sex Roles: A Journal of Research*
- *Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal*
- *Quest*
- *Research Quarterly in Sport and Exercise*
- *The Sport Psychologist*