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USFSP News

**USFSP to Host Event That Explores Title IX Impact on Nov. 18**

USFSP Associate Professor Judithanne Scourfield McLauchlan’s Women and the Law class, in partnership with the USF Women in Leadership & Philanthropy (WLP) and USFSP Women Empowerment Club, will host “A Leveled Playing Field? An Exploration of the Impact of Title IX” on Wednesday, Nov. 18. The event aims to explore the importance of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits exclusion or discrimination on the basis of sex.

Betty Castor, chair of the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, former USF President and the first woman elected as Florida’s Education Commissioner, will serve as moderator. Castor will host a panel of presenters that will include:

- Claire Lessinger, sales director of special events, Tampa Bay Sports Commission
- Mary Milne, vice president of Guest Experience, Tampa Bay Lightning
- Barbara Sparks McGlinchy, former senior associate athletics director at USF

“It will be a wonderful opportunity for students and members of the community to explore the significance of this landmark legislation and its impact on the lives of women and girls,” said McLauchlan, founding director of the Center for Civic Engagement at USFSP.

During a reception that precedes the panel, students in her Women and the Law class will display their research posters about the broad range of implications for Title IX for equality of education opportunities for women.

“I am proud of the work my students have done this semester,” McLauchlan said. “Event attendees will have the opportunity to learn from the distinguished panel as well as from the results of my students’ research.”

The event will be hosted in the University Student Center.
A LEVELED PLAYING FIELD?
AN EXPLORATION OF THE IMPACT OF TITLE IX

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
USF-St. Petersburg Student Center

WLP is pleased to partner with Dr. Judithanne McLauchlan, Associate Professor of Political Science and Founding Director of the Center for Civic Engagement at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg, the USFSP Women Empowerment Club, and her popular Women and the Law class, in presenting A Leveled Playing Field? – An Exploration of the Impact of Title IX.

The capstone of the Fall 2015 Women and the Law curriculum, A Leveled Playing Field offers a distinguished panel of speakers (all WLP members), moderated by the Hon. Betty Castor, who will share their personal experiences and opinions on the intended and unintended implications and broad impact of 1972’s landmark legislation…on and off the field of play.

Our panel includes:

- Claire Lessinger, former collegiate student-athlete and head volleyball coach at the University of South Florida, now Seals and Director of Special Events at the Tampa Bay Sports Commission

- Mary Milne, former collegiate student-athlete and head field hockey coach at Ohio University, now Vice President of Guest Experience, Tampa Bay Lightning

- Barbara Sparks McGlinchy, former Senior Associate Athletics Director at the University of South Florida;

Prior to the panel, WLP members and guests are invited to a reception where Women in the Law students will present the results of their semester-long research in a poster presentation format. Please plan to attend and invite a guest to participate in this special engagement opportunity with fellow members and our tremendous USF St. Petersburg students. Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 17 to 813.974.4070 or wlp@usf.edu

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