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David Golden
Merrimack College
Registration

"I am attending NASPA because of the networking opportunities, and the chance to catch up with friends!"

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Jenn Forry - Newbury College
Silent Auction

"I'm attending the NASPA R1 Conference to connect with colleagues and bring best practices back to my home campus."

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Stephanie Gonzales
Williams College
Secretary & Evaluations

"I'm attending the NASPA R1 Conference and can't wait to hear Dr. Marc Lamont Hill speak at the opening keynote!"

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Joshua Peipock
Rhode Island School of Design
Marketing & Publicity

"I'm attending the NASPA R1 Conference because..." I am excited to reconnect with colleagues from across the region and I need to reflect & recharge!

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Careers in Study Affairs Month-Advice from Bridie Dailey

Name: Bridie Dailey

Title: Area Coordinator

Current Institution: Saint Anselm College

Years in the field: 6-10

Graduate school program attended (if applicable): Saint Michael's College: Education and School Leadership

If you were telling your younger self a piece of advice, while beginning to explore this field, what would you say?: Recognize the strengths of those around you. It makes your job easier when you delegate and have people use their strengths to push the department forward rather than just having one person do that.

What would you say has been your biggest career accomplishment thus far?: My biggest accomplishment so far would be creating a completely electronic room condition and code management system. At Saint Anselm College all rooms have keypads rather than keys, I have worked with our Information Technology department and Physical Plant staff to allow for students' codes to be accessible to them through our portal. I have also built on that to make our room condition tracking system all electronic. All of this has cut our department's paper use in half! It is a great thing that I am very proud of and have worked on for 4 four years.

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Careers in Student Affairs Month-Advice from Rozana Carducci

Name: Rozana Carducci

Title: Assistant Professor

Current Institution: Salem State University

Years in the field: 15 or more.

Graduate school program attended (if applicable): Miami University (Ohio)

If you were telling your younger self a piece of advice, while beginning to explore this field, what would you say?: Residence life is not the only pathway into the profession. It's okay if you don't have (or want) residence life experience.

What would you say has been your biggest career accomplishment thus far?: Completing my PhD.

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A BRIEF REFLECTION ON RUGBY AND ONE MAN'S MASCULINITY

By Ryan Grant, Associate Director of Housing & Residence Life at Holy Cross.

I'll never forget how I felt after my first rugby practice. Walking through the Fox dining hall at UMass Lowell, dripping mud, sweat, and a little blood, I'd never felt more manly or (if I'm being completely honest) sexier in my life. It was like I had suddenly leveled up in my rugged and rakish-ness and everyone noticed. I felt like a shiny, beautiful, giant as I carried my tray to eat with my new brothers.

I had played violent sports before, but something about rugby made it different. Rugby felt more primal - faster, more ferocious, and more brutal. It's a team game that relies on the total commitment of each individual; there is no hiding on the rugby pitch. Without any protective equipment, you feel every point of contact with the other players. It is harsh and unrelenting, testing your mind, body, and will constantly. I was soooo in!

Beyond the obvious physicality, rugby is also an incredibly intimate sport. Not just because of the close quarters contact, the scrums, rucks, and mauls, where players bodies intertwine and pile up, or the hands, arms, and even faces that make their way around the various body parts of opposing players and teammates - although there is plenty of all that.

Rugby is a game that fosters loyalty and trust amongst players. Each play demands personal sacrifice for the benefit of the team. This (and maybe also the repetitive touching) leads to a wonderfully pervasive culture of community and camaraderie that surrounds the sport. I've been able to be more vulnerable with my teammates than most others in my life.

There has been (and surely will continue to be) endless scholarly work examining the relationship between sports and traditional concepts of masculinity. Nauright and Chandler's Making Men: Rugby and Masculine Identity takes an incredibly thorough look at the history of rugby specifically. As a topic, this is a thick, many petaled, and deeply fried Bloomin' Onion. I won't attempt to offer you the whole dish; rather, a tiny nibble of just one delicious, crispy, petal - by - petal.

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Careers in Student Affairs Month-Advice from Kristin Ridge

Name: Kristin Ridge

Title: Director of Residence Life

Current Institution: Bryant University

Years in the field: 10-15

Graduate school program attended (if applicable): New York University CSPA

If you were telling your younger self a piece of advice, while beginning to explore this field, what would you say?: Be prepared to adopt a lifestyle. This is not a traditional job or career. You have to embrace the lifestyle, not try to fit your job into your life like a normal 9-5.

What would you say has been your biggest career accomplishment thus far?: Becoming a deputy Title IX coordinator

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