

Masters Dissertation

WOMEN'S FOOTBALL: SEXED BODIES AND INTERFERING DISCOURSE

Abstract

Primarily a theoretical piece contributing to debates on heteronormativity and its cognate conceptual fields, the thesis utilises a linguistic version of discourse analysis to investigate a study of representation. The thesis addresses representation of women's soccer as a site of potential disruption of dominant cultural understandings of gender and sexuality, but also attempts to 'queer' dominant categories for making sense of the body in general.