Claire Sisco King

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Biography

Claire Sisco King is Associate Professor and Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Communication Studies, and affiliated with the Cinema and Media Arts program. She is a scholar of media and visual culture, with a particular emphasis on the study of gender and sexuality. Her book, Washed in Blood: Male Sacrifice, Trauma, and the Cinema (Rutgers University, 2011), which was named an Outstanding Book of the Year in 2013 by Critical Cultural Studies division of the National Communication Association, addresses the intersections between cinematic violence, masculinity, and discourses of civic identity. Her work has been published in numerous journals in the fields of communication and media studies, and she is currently writing a new book on celebrity culture, gender, and race. King is the Editor-Elect of Women?s Studies in Communication, a peer-reviewed, feminist journal addressing the relationships between communication and gender.

Areas of Expertise

Pop Culture, Civic Identity, Gender, Media, Visual Culture, Sexuality, Celebrity Culture

Education

Indiana University
Ph.D. Communication and Culture

Indiana University
M.A. Communication and Culture

Davidson College B.A. English

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