Bakersfield College Introduces Distinguished Speaker Series
Third in series of nine takes place on October 11th

The Bakersfield College Distinguished Speaker Series brings community leaders from around the world to Bakersfield, whose achievements have had national and/or international significance, to speak at Bakersfield College. This series will include nine speakers, each will host their own program. The events will take place throughout the remainder of the year and early 2019.

Who Stole Feminism?
How Women Betrayed Women
The third speaker of the series, Christina Sommers, will present her program on Thursday, October 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Levan Center. Christina Hoff Sommers is a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute. Before joining AEI, she was a professor of philosophy at Clark University. She is the editor of Vice and Virtue in Everyday Life, a textbook on moral philosophy. Her books include Who Stole Feminism and The War Against Boys (the latter was a New York Times “Notable Book of the Year”). Her articles have appeared in publications such as The Journal of Philosophy, The New England Journal of Medicine, The New York Times, and The Atlantic.

During her presentation, Christina Sommers will discuss a recently exposed disturbing development: how a group of zealots, claiming to speak for all women, are promoting a dangerous new agenda that threatens our most cherished ideals and sets women against men in all spheres of life. Despite its current dominance, Sommers maintains, such a breed of feminism is at odds with the real aspirations and values of most American women and undermines the cause of true equality. Who Stole Feminism? is a call to arms that will enrage or inspire, but cannot be ignored.

The Remainder of Speakers throughout the Series
The Distinguished Speak Series consists of nine speakers from around the world that will come to Bakersfield College to discuss the significance of achievements. The schedule of remaining speakers is listed on the following page.

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The Remainder of Speakers throughout the Series
Following Christina Sommers, these speakers will be arriving at Bakersfield College on the following dates:

- Dashka Slater, *The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime That Changed Their Lives* – Wednesday, October 24, 2018
- Oz Sanchez, *Know No Limits: The Gold Medalist in Us All* – Thursday, November 8, 2018
- Carol M. Swain, *Black Faces, Black Interests: The Representation of African American in Congress* – Thursday, February 7, 2019
- Eric Schlosser, *From Fast Food Nation to Command and Control* – Thursday, April 4, 2018

Descriptions of the programs of each speaker, including the time and location, will be released as the events approach. For more information, please visit [https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/studentevents/dss](https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/studentevents/dss).

*Bakersfield College offers a rigorous and supportive learning environment that fosters students’ abilities to think critically, communicate effectively, and demonstrate competencies and skills in order to engage productively in their communities and the world, while simultaneously contributing to the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of the communities it serves.

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