

“We are all Equal”
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The double standards are where women and men are viewed in different eyes by society. Women aren't really treated the same when it comes to picking a job out, trying out for a sport and/or going to fill out a resume for a certain college. Double standards are not fair because anything that women try to do to get even with society and the government, we get hushed and ignored. The Women's Marches are not a new thing to anybody or anything, but nothing has changed as to please those who march for change. Society thinks that it is ok for men to get control over the two genders that exist, but no, it's not.

The right to speak and have women's voice heard is also limited to a woman because of double standards, when a woman tries to give her opinion on a topic that regards her, she gets hushed. For example, there was an incident of Elizabeth Warren, a Senator from Massachusetts, being shushed while she was talking to the senators because they thought she had nothing good to say. A man on the other hand, can speak his mind on the stupidest of things, but he will not have his voice shut down because society thinks his words are important. That isn't fair because we all have the right to have our voices be heard no matter what Double Standards are put onto us, women.

The different types of jobs that men and women share are different because of how The Double Standards "have it done." Men can become mechanics, construction men, military commanders, businessmen, doctors, and Sport Coaches while women are limited to what job they can pick out or try out for. Women's jobs are more to the side of housewife, caretakers, nurses, house cleaning, and secretaries because they are thought not to be able to work as a doctor or a boss of a company. The certain areas that go to certain genders are divided because of the Double Standards and it is not ok. You do not just divide the system controlling the jobs just because you think a woman isn't capable of running a company or being the boss of a fancy restaurant. The Double Standards have put a border on women's jobs and that is not ok, it isn't fair, and it isn't right.

Another thing that was affected differently by Double Standards is the sport branch, specifically, volleyball, tennis, and somewhat soccer. Women have that limit of sport choosing because even when women win the highest rank possible they receive less money. According to NBC Sports, "...heard how much money the U.S. Women's National Team got for the historic win over Japan. They received \$2 million. When the men's team lost in round sixteen of last year's tournament, they got \$8 million." Women won the Soccer tournament but still got paid less. This just shows that men and women aren't the same according to Double Standards. Men got paid way more than women and even worse than that, they LOST the Soccer tournament!!! This isn't right, it just isn't, and all of this is this way because of the Double Standards and because of society. Football, soccer, basketball, golf, hockey, wrestling, lacrosse, and water polo are all seen as sports that shouldn't be played by women but even some specific women are very good in these sports and TRY to get into the sport no matter what other voices say. Sports are overall an exercise that helps your body and in which you have the chance to compete with other teams. The definition of a sport was never labeled for a specific gender in general and that is what the Double Standards doesn't understand. ANY gender should be able to play ANY sport without having someone say "no" because the one who wants to play the sport is a girl. Females should be able to play soccer and win the same as men do. Women should be able to play football, golf, basketball- any sport any woman wishes so the Double Standards don't affect any of this nonsense of "You're a girl, you can't play with us."

In conclusion, everything that the Double Standards put against women or separate the two genders isn't fair. We are all equal and even though we, women, are viewed as minorities to society, we are stronger and are capable of anything. Jobs and sports aren't supposed to have sides or titles that specify, "ONLY FOR MEN." Women should have the right to choose whatever job they want and women should also be able to play any sport they want because this is a world where we are all equal and that saying should continue and not just be used for personal affairs that benefit those who use it.

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