

# The Male Rape Prevention Educator Privilege Checklist

An Unabashed Imitation of articles by Peggy McIntosh<sup>1</sup> and Barry Deutsch<sup>2</sup>

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1. I can receive praise or acknowledgement for doing the same or similar work as female colleagues, who will not receive similar praise or acknowledgement.
2. My odds of being hired for a job, when competing against female applicants, are probably skewed in my favor. The more prestigious the job, the larger the odds are skewed.
3. I can have very little experience but still be pushed (or pulled) into visible leadership positions.
4. I can be the only male identified person in the room yet feel comfortable controlling the space and interactions.
5. I can simply show up to an event, or wear a ribbon, and people will think favorably of me.
6. If I'm co-presenting with a woman, people will consider me the expert and ask me all the questions.
7. I can be relatively new to the work and yet still be recognized for my contributions by winning awards.
8. I can deliver anti-violence messages to an audience without being perceived as having an "ax to grind."
9. If I have a conventionally masculine presentation of self, I will be seen as "relate-able" and "accessible" to a wider audience, especially younger men and boys.
10. I can share stories of "boyhood" gender socialization that appeal to male identified audiences in ways that women can't.
11. If I decide to stop working to end men's violence against women, I can feel quite confident that my physical safety will still be secured (which will be especially true if I am a heterosexual, white, male-identified man).
12. I can receive travel and training opportunities based on the fact of my gender alone.
13. If I am new to historically all-woman agency, it is more likely that my female colleagues will be asked to modify their behavior to help me feel more comfortable than it is that I will be asked to modify my behavior to help my female colleagues feel more comfortable with me.
14. I can expect to experience some degree of adoration from women when speaking to audience, especially if I am openly heterosexual and male-identified, and I am presenting to a predominantly younger audience.

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<sup>1</sup> See <http://www.amptoons.com/blog/files/mcintosh.html>

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<sup>2</sup> See <http://amptoons.com/blog/the-male-privilege-checklist/>

<sup>3</sup> This version was compiled in August of 2011 from discussions gathered from:  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/menagainstviolence/>