The Department of Kinesiology presents

The 20th Anderson Sport Performance Lecture with

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Activities Building
Dr. Eugene W. Anderson (1932 – 1997)

Dr. Eugene W. Anderson was very prominent in the development of our current Kinesiology academic program. During his tenure at UTA, the Health Education and Dance minors were developed. The Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science degree was started for students in the Allied Health Sciences. The physical education-athletic coaching degrees, along with certification for teaching K-12 were shaped and refined. Dr. Anderson’s expertise and appreciation for science in sport and performance created the popular KINE 1400 Introduction to Exercise Science class (there are currently two lecture and seven laboratory sections per semester). His understanding of the acquisition of motor skills dramatically influenced the pedagogy curriculum. His experiences in sport and coaching directly impacted the departmental performance curriculum. Perhaps Dr. Anderson’s most intense interest, in addition to curriculum, was in how the curriculum affected facility development. In the 1981-85 academic years, he gave numerous hours to the planning of an educational facility for our Exercise, Sport and Health Studies academic unit. The facilities’ blueprint included numerous laboratories, classrooms, learning centers, student, faculty and activity areas that would have provided an educational setting that would be comparable to the academic program he helped create. The facilities’ plans continue to be a model for our departmental future.

Dr. Eugene W. Anderson is currently one of our two Professor Emeriti in the Department of Kinesiology at UTA. The Department of Kinesiology has established The Eugene W. Anderson Endowed Memorial Scholarship in his honor. The Anderson Scholarship is awarded to Kinesiology undergraduate majors twice a year (Fall and Spring Semester) with preference to a Teacher Education Certification student ($300.00). In addition to the Anderson Endowed Scholarship, the Department of Kinesiology is currently in the process of endowing The Anderson Sport Performance Lecture. Please note the departmental web site for additional information on both of these endowment activities (www.uta.edu/coed/kinesiology/events/anderson/).

Dr. Daniel A. Nathan

Dr. Daniel A. Nathan is an Associate Professor of American Studies at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York, where he has taught since 2002. Prior to that, he was the Fulbright Professor of North American Studies at the University of Tampere in Finland, and on the faculty at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.


Nathan is the recipient of numerous honors, including the 2004 USA Track & Field Ken Doherty Memorial Fellowship, and the 2005 Webb-Smith Essay Prize (with Peter Berg and Erin Klemyk). He currently holds a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship.

A member of the North American Society for Sport History (NASSH) Executive Council and the Chair of the NASSH Book Award Committee, Nathan also serves as the Film, Media, and Museum Reviews editor for the Journal of Sport History.

Nathan has eclectic, wide-ranging interests, including the politics of cultural representation, collective memory, film, and sports, particularly baseball and boxing. His interest in sports fandom derives in part from his many years of rooting for the Baltimore Orioles.