Gender Camouflage: Women and the U.S. Military

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"Militarized Women"

D'Amico and Weinstein have addressed various aspects of "militarized women" in this book: Women whose lives are affected by the military in this country. They include military women, military wives, civilian women who work for the Department of Defense as civil servants, sex workers and prostitutes around military bases, and peace activists. One article centers upon civilian jobs that the author theorizes might go to women in the civilian sector if money spent on the military budget were freed for other uses.

The book is organized by a system the editors call locational, based on whether the individual articles concern women who might be considered "insiders," such as military women and veterans (including the excluded lesbian military women); "fringe" or "at the margins," such as military wives and DOD civilians; and "outsiders," such as peace workers, prostitutes and other women affected somehow by the military. The central premise of the book is that individual women must don a sort of...

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