UCONN SPORT BUSINESS CONFERENCE 2024





Meet Our Team



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Junior

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SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Check-Ins Begin & Breakfast

9:00 AM Opening Remarks

9:15 AM Morning Keynote - Faith McCarthy

10:00 AM Workshop #1

Business Administration Communications Broadcasting & Production Sales

11:30 AM Lunch

12:30 PM Afternoon Keynote - Jeff Bennett

1:15 PM Workshop #2
Analytics
Operations
Marketing

3:00 PM Network Briefing in Groups

3:45 PM Closing Remarks

PANELISTS

ESPN

Faith Celeste McCarthy

Jeff Bennett

Ronce Rajan

Daniel Ochs

Eric Sellers

Shay Smith

Kraft Analytics

Molly Hiniker

Sam Marteka

UConn Athletics

Paul Wettemann III

Brenna Sarantides

Craig Cugno

Madison Square Garden

Dylan Kramer

Ben Berliner

HBSE

Sydnay Jordan

Providence Bruins

Brett Chaves

New Balance

Ben Armstrong

Brooklyn Nets

Ricky McCollum

Hartford Yardgoats

Tim Restall

New Jersey Devils

Chris Mena

Worchester Red Sox

Joseph Foley

Boston Celtics

Carley Lenahan

New York Islanders

Mike Verna

New England Patriots

Alexandra Francisco

Springfield Thunderbirds

Shae Koharski

NFL

Raphaella Ruiz

Barclays Center

Melissa Corraro

Connecticut Sun

Peter Feeney

Cape Cod Baseball League

Ben Brink

Boston Red Sox

Tyler Scheinblum

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Faith Celeste McCarthy, ESPN

Associate Manager, Sport Business Development & Innovation



Faith is currently the Associate Manager of Sports
Business Development & Innovation at ESPN. She
manages operations, strategy, and experiential
across the Sports Business Development &
Innovation team, which is responsible for handling
new and existing third-party business agreements
with a focus on strategic innovation, technology and
emerging content partnerships. The team actively
manages key partnerships focused on advanced
technology that drives best-in-class fan experiences
and advances ESPN's market leadership.

Jeff Bennett, ESPN

Vice President, Statistics and Information Group (SIG)

Jeff Bennett is the vice president of ESPN's Stats & Information Group (SIG) and founder of ESPN's Sports Analytics team, which developed Total QBR, Football Power Index and Basketball Power Index, among many other renowned metrics and tools. Currently, SIG encompasses ESPN's Content Research, BottomLine and Stats & Analysis teams. Prior to moving to management, Jeff was a lead researcher on SportsCenter and Baseball Tonight.



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We would like to thank the entire UConn Sport Business Association Executive Board for their continuous support.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to our advisor, Danielle DeRosa, for her continued support and guidance.

Finally, we would like to thank all attendees, speakers, and mentors for making this year's conference our best one yet. We look forward to welcoming you all in the coming years, and wish you all the best of luck in your future career pursuits in sport.

Thank you for being a part of the 2024 UConn Sport Business Conference!

