

Abstract

This thesis deals with the up to date topic of women as head of the United States of America. Although a woman has not yet been a President or Vice President of the U.S., there have been several women who came very close. This paper examines the path of American women from the private sphere of life into politics and also looks at how the women's equality is grounded in the rules of the two main political parties. Women in political office often have to face unequal bias from the media and society. Women are being judged and evaluated differently than their male counterparts. In this thesis, the phenomenon of gendered reporting is explained and summed up. In its last part, this paper includes the profiles of three women – Geraldine Ferraro, Sarah Palin and Hillary Clinton, three women who got the closest to the American presidency.