

#### RESKIN AND ROOS

# QUEUING THEORY

#### of men

Women are most likely to progress in

# occupations where there is a shortage

Men are not pushed out, but rewards

# decline so they leave, leaving space

#### for women to take over



#### 1) Skill acquisition – skill requirements for the bassist were consistently seen

# the resort of failed guitar players'.

# a. An assumption that women will be drawn to instrument with lower

# The guitar retains prestige. 'The guitar is the star'.

# learning curve due to starting to play later. (median age 19, vs 13 for men

#### as less rigorous – 'the easiest instrument to play well' 'it's very easy to start

#### off on, because it has four strings instead of six'.

demand, and allows you to play in bands.

# Queuing theory emphasises that progress for women requires low

# in Clawson's sample).

2) Demand/value/power – the pool of bass players is fairly small – high-

#### prestige and rejection of their jobs by men. 'The bass has been seen as