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Renew your ISSA Membership (January to December 2016)

The International Sociology of Sport Association/Association Internationale de Sociologie du Sport invites membership applications for 2016. ISSA comprises an active body of scholars who study sport from the perspectives of sociology, social psychology, anthropology, history and political economy.

The objectives of ISSA include:

- fostering research in the social scientific study of sport
- encouraging international communication among scholars
- promoting collaborative cross-national research projects
- developing scholarly exchange via: promoting communication with other national and international sport-related organizations
- sponsoring annual symposia
- publication of the International Review for the Sociology of Sport

All ISSA members receive:

- IRSS (8 issues per year) Print and Online
- Information and discounts on ISSA conferences and publications
- Access to members’ only area of websites
- The ISSA eBulletin

ISSA membership is for the full calendar year. This means that your ISSA membership expires on December 31st regardless of when you joined ISSA.

Membership details are available on the SAGE – International Review of Sociology of Sport website. We highly encourage you to use the online payment subscription process on the SAGE IRSS web page. It efficient, secure and ensures that membership applications are processed in a timely fashion and provides you with an automated reply that confirms your membership. To reach this page, simply follow the link on the ISSA website at: http://issa1965.org/membership/. This will ensure that you access the SAGE web page that will allow you to pay your subscription/membership fees.

Please use the online payment subscription process on the SAGE IRSS web page. It is secure and ensures that membership applications are processed in a timely fashion. It also provides you with an automated reply that confirms your membership.
Invitation to the ISSA General Annual Meeting

All ISSA members are invited to attend the 2016 General Annual Meeting.

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2016 ISSA WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT IN BUDAPEST

From June 8-11, 2016 the International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) will hold its World Congress in Budapest, Hungary at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The local Organizing Committee – a collaboration of Hungarian academics working at St John’s University (New York, USA), the University of Physical Education (Budapest, Hungary) and Bell & Partners Communication – is honored to organize this event, which will have the theme “Sport, Global Development, and Social Change.”

ISSA 2016 Theme: Sport, Global Development, and Social Change

Keynote speaker: David Black, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada

Title: Never the Twain Shall Meet? The challenge of articulating top-down and bottom-up development through sport.
Approximately 180 delegates will present over 160 papers and posters.

**Congress Events Include:**
- Welcome Reception (June 8)
- Scientific Programming (June 9-11)
- Official Gala Dinner (June 11)

**Visit the Congress website for more details:** [www.issa2016.org](http://www.issa2016.org)

See the ISSA 2016 Budapest Congress Promotional Video at: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B_SizIlCATp1VEUzNIRBRWNjN1k/view?pli=1](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B_SizIlCATp1VEUzNIRBRWNjN1k/view?pli=1)

See you soon in Budapest!

**ISSA World Congresses: 2018 and Beyond!**
*An Invitation for Future ISSA Congress Hosts*

Are you and your colleagues interested in joining in the fine tradition and exciting opportunity to host a future ISSA World Congress and showcase your city and institution to sociology of sport scholars from around the globe? We welcome discussions about collaboration with tourist boards and local sponsors to make a financial contribution and provide structural support. Right now we are searching for locations for 2018 and beyond. Please send initial expressions of interest to Brent McDonald, Vice President-Conferences. He can be reached at: <Brent.McDonald@vu.edu.au>.

We continue to receive applications at any time, but for those of you considering 2018, we must receive detailed and complete proposals no later than May 31, 2016.
Call for Research Articles

The IRSS continues to solicit diverse research articles seated in the sociology of sport, broadly defined that shed light on social and cultural understandings of sport. Interdisciplinary, inclusive, and global, the IRSS is the journal of the International Sociology of Sport Association and is published in partnership with SAGE Publications. Please visit the journal website for more information about its Aims & Scope, the Editorial Board, manuscript submission guidelines, and sample issues at http://irs.sagepub.com/.

Beginning with 2015 to mark its 50th year of publication, the IRSS publishes eight issues each year and has expanded to 1024 annual pages. To help expedite the review and publication process, the IRSS uses the SAGE Track online manuscript submission site powered by ScholarOne Manuscripts. Scholars submitting manuscripts for consideration can expect a prompt double-blind review process that draws on the expertise of a diverse editorial board and a worldwide network over 2000 expert area scholars. When combined with the SAGE OnlineFirst publication program that makes accepted manuscripts available to scholars within weeks of acceptance, the IRSS has the ability to get scholarly work promptly disseminated to international audiences.

Under the guidance of Editor-in-Chief Lawrence Wenner, the IRSS has seven distinguished Corresponding Editors from across the globe available for consultation and a 40-member international Editorial Board. Articles considered by the IRSS include standard-length research articles as well as shorter research articles. The IRSS aims to be an open and attractive place for the prompt publication of research aimed at the international community. The IRSS editorial team looks forward to having the opportunity to consider your work. Manuscripts may be submitted at http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss.

Call for Book and Media Reviews

In addition to research articles, the IRSS encourages reviews of individual books and media works and considers integrative review essays of multiple works. Authors wishing to review books or media (films, videos, interactive media) for the IRSS should contact Dr. David Leonard, Washington State University, Comparative Ethnic Studies, PO Box 644010, Pullman, WA 99164-4010. Tel: (+1) 509 335-6854. Email: djl@wsu.edu

Reviews of books or media provide a scholarly assessment of key works that may advance understanding of sport in social and cultural contexts. Reviews that provide an assessment of one work by a single reviewer are normally of 1500-2000 words in length, inclusive of references, notes, tables, and figures. Reviews that provide a comparative assessment of more than one work or an assessment of one work by multiple reviewers are more substantial integrative essays and are normally of 2000-3000 words in length, inclusive of references, notes, tables, and figures. IRSS accepts book or media review essays comparing 2 or 3 items on one topic and written by a single author as well as book or media review
symposia in which the same item is reviewed by 2 or 3 different reviewers. Reviews do not require an abstract or key words.

Book or Media Reviews should contain a heading which includes the Book or Media Title, Author, Publisher’s Name and Location, Date of Publication, Number of Pages, ISBN Number (and, if appropriate) eBook Number. Book or Media Review authors may refer to previous issues of IRSS for format guidance. Reviews may be submitted at http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss

Call for Applications, Editor: International Review for the Sociology of Sport

The International Sociology of Sport Association executive board is soliciting candidates for the position of editor of the International Review for the Sociology of Sport.

Published since 1966, the International Review for the Sociology of Sport is recognised as a high profile journal:

- Indexed on ISI
- Publishes 8 issues per year
- Amongst SAGE’s most accessed sociology journals, with a 31% increase in article downloads over the discipline average
- See http://irs.sagepub.com/

The new editor will assume the position in January 2018 and during the interim will begin working with the current editor, Lawrence Wenner, to become familiar with journal operations and procedures. The term of office is 4 years and an annual budget of 6,600 UK pound sterling is allocated to support editorial operations.

The candidate should be a strong scholar with experience as an editor, associate editor, or active editorial board member. A willingness to work collaboratively to ensure that the journal meets ISSA standards and goals will be required. The applicant must also be proficient in managing the submitted manuscripts and to expedite reviews.

The International Sociology of Sport Association executive board will review applications and select the candidates. If you have questions about the position, do not hesitate to contact the current editor, Lawrence Wenner, or the members of the search committee.

Candidates should send a copy of their curriculum vitae, a statement about their vision or plan for the journal and their relevant experience by email no later than January 31, 2017, to:

Christine Dallaire
President, ISSA
president@issa1965.org

Members of the search committee (see http://issa1965.org/board/): Christine Dallaire, Elizabeth Pike, Cora Burnett-Louw, John Horne, Mike Sam, Mary McDonald, Brent McDonald
The International Sociology of Sport Association will consider applications to fund Special Initiatives, which meet the mission of the association.

Eligibility criteria:

- Applicants must have been full members of the association for at least two years. Associate members and student members are not eligible to apply.
- Funding will not be awarded for congress attendance or research projects.
- Initiatives will be considered on a case-by-case basis, with respect to their commitment to the ISSA mission, and the Executive Board reserves the right not to award any funding.
- Timescale: the deadline for submission of initiatives is June 1st 2016; decisions on successful applications will be announced by August 1st 2016; all initiatives must be completed, and a full report on activities received, by May 1st 2017. Send applications to ISSA President, Christine Dallaire at christine.dallaire@uottawa.ca.
- The electronic version of this application form can be downloaded from the ISSA website at http://www.issa1965.org.

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• To cooperate with ICSSPE, ISA and other committees, groups or organizations in order to solve tasks of general interest.
• To identify sociological problems in sport, and where appropriate, organize international research programmes concerning the same.
• To oversee and coordinate the official publications of ISSA.
• To advise and facilitate the establishment of other continental, regional and national sociology of sport societies.

Members’ News

ISSA is happy to share information about conferences, seminars, awards, jobs etc. We will gladly include your news in our eBulletin and the ISSA website. ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions.

Please send any feedback and information to the ISSA Vice-President-Communication Mary McDonald at: mary.mcdonald@hsoc.gatech.edu

In addition: Please remember that ISSA also has its own Facebook page, and you are welcome to share information via this group.

Visit ISSA’s website at: ISSA1965.ORG

PhD Funding

IOC OSC PhD Students Research Grant

We are pleased to inform you that the rules and the application form for the 2017 edition of the IOC OSC PhD Students Research Grant programme have been posted on the IOC website.

As for the previous edition, the grants will be allocated to candidates whose applications are submitted under two categories with different objectives:

Category A: Open Subject
Objective: Encourage PhD students to undertake doctoral research with a humanities or social sciences perspective on any aspect of the Olympic phenomena. All projects dealing
with the Olympic Movement and/or the Olympic Games will be considered.

Category B: National Olympic Committees’ Policy Priority (organised in collaboration with Olympic Solidarity)

Objective: Encourage PhD students to undertake doctoral research with a humanities or social sciences perspective on topics of interest to the National Olympic Committee (NOC) of their country.

The eligibility criteria, application procedures and deadline (30 September 2016) remain the same for both categories, but for applications in the NOCs’ Policy Priority category, the OSC should also receive a letter of support written and signed by the NOC President or Secretary General explaining the significance of the proposed research for the NOC’s activities and projects.

We kindly ask for your help in disseminating the programme worldwide via your networks and contacts and encouraging the participation of high-level candidates.

Thanking you for your attention and cooperation, we remain at your entire disposal should you need any further information.

Please contact Nuria Puig for questions: nuria.puig@olympic.org

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Head of Department – Sports and Physical Activity
Bournemouth University

Bournemouth University is creating the most stimulating, challenging and rewarding university experience in a world-class learning community by sharing our unique fusion of excellent education, research and professional practice and inspiring our students, graduates and staff to enrich the world.

The Department of Sport and Physical Activity has a growing reputation for teaching and research in the full range of disciplines allied to sport. As Head of Department, you will have the skills and qualities to lead the department with coherence, vision and energy. Working closely with the Department’s Head of Education and Head of Research, you will be responsible for leading and supporting both Research and Education and guiding the implementation of the University strategic plan at Departmental level. You will make a major contribution to enhancing the academic reputation of the Department and in supporting a group of talented staff.
You will, ideally, have a track record of academic leadership and professional excellence, and a record of success in supporting the work of colleagues both in the department and in the wider faculty and university. You will be qualified to Doctorate level or be able to demonstrate the ability to create and disseminate knowledge at an equivalent level and the capability to convert this knowledge into a doctorate in a maximum of 3-5 years from the date of appointment.

For further information and discussion or the opportunity for an informal visit, please contact Professor Keith Wilkes by email on kwilkes@bournemouth.ac.uk.

A detailed job description and person specification are available from our website together with an online application form. Alternatively, please telephone 01202 961133 (24 hour answerphone) quoting the appropriate reference.

**Closing Date: Monday 30th May, midnight (London time)**

Interview date: To be confirmed


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**Lecturer in Sociology – Social & Policy Sciences**

**University of Bath**

The University of Bath is an international centre for research and teaching excellence committed to achieving global impact through its research, partnerships and alumni. It seeks to appoint two lecturers in sociology, able to make a significant contribution to research and teaching in sociology at Bath.

We are looking for ambitious and forward-thinking applicants to expand the team of sociologists working in the Department of Social and Policy Sciences. Candidates should be able to provide evidence of completed research of global significance and demonstrate the capacity to produce high quality publications, attract research grant income, carry out rigorous and impactful research, and deliver innovative and high-quality teaching.

We are open to applications from academics in any sub-field of sociology who can offer theoretically informed and empirically rich expertise which will enhance the department’s research priorities and strengths. These include, but are not restricted to, the sociology of the lifecourse especially aging and childhood; conflict, violence and ethnicity; civil society and social movements; health, science and technology; policy and communication.

Applicants are also welcome who can contribute to one of the three research centres in the Department: Centre for Analysis of Social Policy, Centre for Death and Society; Centre for Development Studies. For further details see [http://www.bath.ac.uk/sps](http://www.bath.ac.uk/sps)
Closing date for applications is 16 May 2016, with a proposed start date of 1st September 2016.

Informal enquiries about the post can be made to the Head of Department, Dr Joe Devine by email J.Devine@bath.ac.uk or by telephone on +44(0)1225 383539; or to the Head of Group, Professor David Miller at D.Miller@bath.ac.uk or on +44(0)7786927551

Closing Date: Monday, 16 May 2016

CONFERENCES & CALL FOR PAPERS

The Latin American Association for the Socio-cultural Studies in Sport (ALESDE)

Puebla and Atlixco, Mexico
October 26-28 2016

The Latin American Association for the Socio-cultural Studies in Sport (ALESDE) is pleased to announce its 5th conference to be held in the cities of Puebla and Atlixco (Mexico) on the October 26-28 2016. The theme for the 2016 conference is "Sport, Leisure and bodies in Latin America: strategies to move from violence to quality of life". The deadline for abstracts is June 19th 2016. The cities of Puebla and Atlixco are located in the state of Puebla, 150 km/93 miles from Mexico City, in the center of the country. The city of Puebla is a World Heritage Site and the region of Atlixco-Metepec is a rich cultural and historical region located in a valley about 25 km/15 miles from Puebla. The Talavera pottery, a distinct part of the local culture, was the inspiration to the illustration of our poster (attached). More information available at www.alesde2016.org (in Castillian/Spanish). If you have any questions, please contact the local organizing group at alesde2016@yahoo.com.mx
Call For Abstracts

North American Society of the Sociology of Sport
La Sociedad Norteamericana para la Sociología del Deporte
Société Nord-Americaine de Sociologie du Sport

Annual Conference, November 2 – 5, 2016
Hilton Tampa Downtown, Tampa Bay, Florida

Publicly Engaged Sociology of Sport

On behalf of the 2016 Conference Committee (Beth Cavalier, Amanda Curtis, Algerian Hart, Brian Garity, Matthew Hawzen, David Karen, Joshua Newman, Dale Sheptak, Maureen Smith, and Nancy Spencer), it is my pleasure to distribute the Call for Abstracts, which you can also find on the NASSS website: http://www.nasss.org/conference/2016-conference/call-for-abstracts/. I am confident that you will agree the organizers have developed creative, thought-provoking, and timely sessions. As the conference organizer, I look forward to an engaging and meaningful conference. I appreciate all the session organizers who offered their time to create sessions. Thank you!

Please review the session descriptions on the NASSS website: http://www.nasss.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/NASSS-2016-CFA.pdf. Abstract authors are strongly encouraged to submit to one of the organized sessions. However, for authors who do not see their paper fitting in with one of the organized sessions, there is also the option to submit to an “open” session – for paper presentations or roundtables. Authors submitting to an “open” session are asked to indicate if they are willing to serve as an organizer and/or moderator of a session. The conference organizer and committee will do their best to ensure abstracts find an appropriate home.

Due to time, space, and scheduling constraints, we ask that authors submit only one abstract as first author. Authors who wish to submit more than one abstract may do so provided they are not the first author on subsequent abstract submission(s). Abstract authors submitting to multiple sessions (and organizers of multiple sessions) should be prepared well in advance of the conference to have a collaborator or colleague present or moderate should there be a scheduling conflict.

In addition, the conference organizer will not be able to accommodate specific requests or preferences regarding time or date of a session or paper. As such, session organizers, moderators, and presenters/ authors are expected to be available for the duration of the time when conference sessions are scheduled. Sessions begin in the morning on Thursday, November 3 (typically around 8 am) and end in the afternoon on Saturday, November 5 (typically around 5 pm). There will always be someone who is first, and someone who is last. Your understanding regarding the tremendous work that is involved in organizing the conference is much appreciated by the conference organizer and committee! All considerations will be made to schedule sessions in accordance with the topics of each session, so sessions do not compete with each other for those with similar academic interests. However, due to limited time and space, this sometimes may occur.
Timeline: Deadline for submission of abstracts to session organizers is June 30, 2016. Session organizers will notify authors of abstract acceptance by July 15, 2016. Session organizers will submit completed sessions (4 – 5 papers each) to the conference organizer, Theresa Walton-Fisette at NASSS2016@kent.edu, by July 15, 2016.

Format: Abstracts should include the name, institutional affiliation, and email address of the author/s; a title (no more than 10 words); and a brief abstract (200 words maximum) that describes the presentation and ideally how the session fits into the conference theme. Please submit abstracts to the appropriate session organizer via the online submission system (do not send abstracts directly to session organizers via email). For a list of session descriptions, go to: http://www.nasss.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/NASSS-2016-CFA.pdf. To submit your abstract please do so via the online system at http://www.nasss.org/conference/2016-conference/call-for-abstracts/. For open session abstract submissions, please submit abstracts to the Conference Committee Chair via the “OPEN” session options (last session listed in the drop down menu).

Tampa Bay +1: In partnership with the Diversity and Conference Climate Committee Chair, Dr. Algerian Hart, the 2016 Conference Committee is pleased to announce the continuation of the +1 program in Tampa Bay. The goal of this initiative is to expand the audience for the NASSS conference and to our community of scholars to those who have never attended the NASSS conference or who have not attended for some time. Members are encouraged to contact or bring a +1; this can be a colleague, student, peer, or friend who has never attended a NASSS conference. Invite your +1 to participate/submit/present at the conference. As you are considering submitting an abstract, we encourage you to distribute the announcements and Call for Abstracts to your networks, and send an invitation to submit an abstract to your +1.

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Call for Papers

British Sociological Association Sport Study Group Postgraduate Forum
Hosted by
Sport Education and Development Programme Area
Faculty of Health and Life Sciences at York St John University

Friday 2nd September 2016 9:30am-5pm

*You do not have to be a member of the BSA to attend.*

The aim of this forum is to continue efforts to develop a postgraduate research community, providing students with the opportunity to develop an appreciation of current postgraduate research within sport and the social sciences.
The BSA Sport Study Group welcome theoretically informed papers from postgraduate research students working in fields of sociology of sport, physical education, coaching, anthropology, pedagogy or related disciplines in the social sciences and humanities. Topics are encouraged from a wide spectrum, including but not limited to, theory, methodologies and discussions of data.

Dr Dominic Malcolm will be providing a keynote on the day

At this forum postgraduate students will be provided with the opportunity to:

- Deliver presentations to peers within a supportive environment to develop their presentation skills
- Network and share ideas with other postgraduate students within the field
- Discuss and receive feedback on their projects
- Foster social relationships with other postgraduate students

Deadline for abstract submission: Monday 23rd May 2016

Notification of acceptance: Monday 11th July 2016

Deadline for registration (attendance only): Friday 26th August 2016

The forum will run from 9:30am-5pm and will consist of a number of short presentations of approx. 20 minutes. Please note that lunch will be included

About York St John University
York St John University has a magnificent campus is located in the centre of the historic City of York. Our eleven-acre site on Lord Mayor’s Walk is in a stunning setting facing the world famous York Minster across the city walls. It is easily accessible by public transport [http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/undergraduate/undergraduate-study/how-to-find-us.aspx](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/undergraduate/undergraduate-study/how-to-find-us.aspx)

**THIS FORUM IS FREE TO ATTEND**

Abstract Guidelines

Abstract submissions are normally restricted to registered Postgraduate Research students who are currently members of the BSA and/or Study Group. Full details about the benefits of joining the BSA can be found at [http://www.britsoc.co.uk/join/JoinBSA.aspx](http://www.britsoc.co.uk/join/JoinBSA.aspx)

1. Abstracts should be no longer than **150 words** and should detail the objectives, rationale, and findings (where appropriate) of your PhD research.
2. Candidates within the first year of study may present findings from their Masters dissertation, if conducted within their current or proposed area of Postgraduate Research.
3. Due to time limitations, individuals are only permitted to submit one abstract.
4. All abstracts will be subject to review by the organising committee, Dr Philippa Velija, Mark Mierzwinski and Graeme Law
5. It is intended that presentations should be approximately 20 minutes plus 10 minutes for questions.
6. Copies of abstracts will be provided to each of the conference attendees, PowerPoint facilities will be available.
7. Abstracts should be submitted electronically in the form of a Word document to m.mierzwinski@yorksj.ac.uk
8. Abstracts should be submitted by **Monday 23rd May 2016**

Respectfully submitted,

Mary G. McDonald, ISSA Vice President-Communications with assistance from Renee Shelby, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA