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ISSA WORLD CONGRESS OF THE SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT 2010

The ISSA conference in 2010 will take place as part of the International Sociological Association (ISA) World Congress of Sociology in Gothenburg, Sweden, July 11-17th 2010.



Please note that the number of sessions allocated to ISSA (RC27) is determined by the number of paid members we have in 2009 and that you must be a member of ISSA, ISA and RC27 in order to present at the conference. So please consider joining ISA and the Sociology of Sport Research Committee (RC27) this year to help ISSA to offer a full schedule of sessions. Membership is for four years, and details may be found at www.isa-sociology.org.

ISA Conference Session Allocation Rules

| Number of RC members | Number of Sessions Provided |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Over 100 members | 18 |
| 85 -100 members | 16 |
| 70-84 members | 14 |
| 55 -69 members | 12* |
| 40-54 members | 10 |
| 25-39 members | 8 |

*This is ISSA/RC 27's current status = 12 sessions (including our Business meeting)

Important deadlines

BY DECEMBER 31st 2009: ISSA members must join ISA and RC27 in order to ensure they have a place in the programme.

BY MARCH 1st 2010: abstracts to be submitted to the relevant session organiser (see <http://www.isa-sociology.org/congress2010/rc/rc27.htm>)

BY APRIL 15th 2010: authors will be advised if their paper has been accepted onto the programme.

BY MAY 4th 2010: authors of accepted papers must register for the congress and submit their accepted abstract via the ISA online system. Nb.: only registered delegates will be able to submit an abstract, so they must register for the conference first.

Process for Submitting a Paper for ISA /ISSA 2010



Proposed Sessions and Organisers for ISA RC27 (Sociology of Sport)

Session 1: Sociology of sport on the move

Fabien Ohl, University of Lausanne, Switzerland, fabien.ohl@unil.ch

Session 2: Inclusion/exclusion in sport

Jorid Hovden, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway, jorid@svt.ntnu.no

Session 3: Sport, bodies and identity politics

Gertrud Pfister, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, gpfister@ifi.ku.dk

Session 4: Sport, health and risk

Elizabeth Pike, University of Chichester, UK, e.pike@chi.ac.uk

Session 5: Sport, politics and policy

Christopher Hallinan, Monash University, Australia, chris.hallinan@arts.monash.edu.au

Session 6: Media and sport

Bettina Ruloffs, Deutsche Sporthochschule Köln, Germany, rulofs@dshs-koeln.de

Session 7: Sport and national identity

Christine Dallaire, University of Ottawa, Canada, cdallair@uottawa.ca

Session 8: Globalization and sport

Steve Jackson, University of Otago, New Zealand, steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz

Session 9: Sport, spectacle and mega events

Kim Schimmel, Kent State University, USA, kschimme@kent.edu

Session 10: Sport and development, Open Paper Session I

John Sugden, University of Brighton (UK), J.Sugden@bton.ac.uk

Session 11: Sport and development, Open Paper Session II

Pasi Koski, University of Turku, pasi.koski@utu.fi

ISSA MENTOR PROGRAMME

Further to our recent eBulletin, we have received several queries regarding the ISSA Mentor Program. We are delighted with the interest and would like to provide some more information as follows.

Acknowledging ISSA's unique international position within the socio-cultural study of sport community we are pleased to announce the launch of our new "Mentor Program". The ISSA Mentor Program is offered in order to support graduate students and scholars whose first language is not English as well those who seek advice and support in the development of their conference presentations, publications and careers.

The Mentor Program will be introduced in a series of Phases. Phase I actually began in 2007 with our first Graduate Student Workshop and this will be an annual event. Phase II started in 2009 with ISSA offering students the opportunity to have their presentations reviewed prior to the ISSA conference. In 2010 we plan to expand the offer to review presentations for the ISSA conference for all ISSA members: faculty and students. Further details will be provided in the coming months. Over the next few years ISSA plans to slowly phase in additional support for members including providing:

- feedback on manuscripts being developed for publication.
- guidance regarding selection of graduate programs along with general career advice.
- advice and support on matters related to teaching and research including the development of a research scholar network to facilitate communication and collaboration.

At some point in the future ISSA will be seeking suitably qualified people to serve as Mentors. If you have any questions about the ISSA Mentor program please feel free to contact the ISSA President at: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz

ICSSPE

One benefit of ISSA Membership is full access to the ICSSPE site (www.icsspe.org) which offers a wide range of resource materials. Please note that the members only passcode has recently changed and is now: cdak09.

YOUR NEWS AND VIEWS

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 General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike at: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

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

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT ASSOCIATION'S
HONORARY MEMBER AWARD

The Executive Board invites nominations for an Honorary Member award in the International Sociology of Sport Association. This award honors outstanding contributions to the International Sociology of Sport Association and to the sociological study of sport. The recipient of this award must meet both of the following criteria: a) a long career of service to the International Sociology of Sport Association, and b) a distinguished international academic career as a sociologist of sport. Individuals who are retired from formal academic positions are eligible for Honorary Member awards. In addition, the International Sociology of Sport Association will consider retrospectively honoring an individual's service and scholarship with a ceremonial posthumous Honorary Member award.

Honorary Members in the International Sociology of Sport Association receive:

- Full, lifetime membership in the International Sociology of Sport Association, including subscription to the *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*;
- Free, lifetime registration to the International Sociology of Sport Association's annual conference.

The list of current Honorary Members can be found at
www.issa.otago.ac.nz/ISSA_Board.html

Nominations:

Nominators should submit a 1 to 2-page document (letter) that describes in as much detail as possible how the nominee meets the International Sociology of Sport's Honorary Member criteria. Submit nominations by email or post to:

Kimberly Schimmel, PhD
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School of Foundations, Leadership and Administration
263 Memorial Gym Annex
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Kent, OH 44242-0001
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Email: kschimme@kent.edu

INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT ASSOCIATION
LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION

The International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) invites submissions to design a new logo for the Association to be used on letterheads, the ISSA website, business cards etc.

Criteria:

1. The logo must be submitted in word and jpeg formats so that it can be modified and integrated into documents as needed.
2. The logo must contain the letters "ISSA" and the words "Established 1965".
3. The colours used must be the same as the Association's journal, the *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*, and the style of the logo should complement that of the journal (see <http://www.sagepub.com/journalsProdDesc.nav?prodId=Journal200937&>).
4. Entrants are recommended to consider the Association's aims and mission statement, to reflect these in their design. These may be found at <http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/about.html>.
5. In entering the competition, entrants accept that full copyright ownership of the logo, and permission for all subsequent usage, is given to the International Sociology of Sport Association.

Prize ¹:

1. The designer of the winning logo will be awarded £100 (Great British pounds).
2. The name and photograph of the designer will be featured on the association's website.
3. The designer will be recognised at an ISSA congress.

How to enter:

All entries should be submitted electronically to the International Sociology of Sport Association's General Secretary, Dr Elizabeth Pike, at e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

Please feel free to circulate this advertisement to other members of your institutions who may be interested in entering the competition. Entrants do not need to be members of ISSA.

The closing date is March 1st 2010.

The winner will be announced during the ISA World Congress in July 2010.

¹ The ISSA reserves the right not to grant an award.

NEWS FROM ISSA MEMBERS

ISSA VICE PRESIDENT WINS AWARD

Gertrud Pfister received the Inaugural European Women and Sports Award (EWS-Award) for research, leadership and exceptional achievements for women in sport. The award ceremony occurred at the 8th European Women and Sport Conference (October 9th and 10th 2009 in Limassol, Cyprus).



BRITISH SOCIOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION SPORT STUDY GROUP POSTGRADUATE FORUM 2009



The BSA Sport Study Group held its fifth annual Postgraduate Forum on September 4th 2009 at the University of Brighton's Chelsea School. Students representing nine different British universities gave presentations of their work, embracing topics as diverse as nationalism, globalisation, the environment, volunteerism, gender, ageing and disability. The event was supported by lecturers from the Universities of Brighton, Chichester and Loughborough, there was a workshop delivered by John Sugden (*IRSS* Editor) and Elizabeth Pike (ISSA General Secretary), and plenty of opportunities for informal networking!

The BSA Sport Study Group convener is Dominic Malcolm of Loughborough University, and anyone interested in joining the group or attending future events should contact Dominic at: D.E.Malcolm@lboro.ac.uk.

OTHER FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

January 12th-13th 2010. Annual Scholarly Colloquium on Intercollegiate Athletics/NCAA Annual Convention. ***College Sports in Recessionary Times: Assessing Challenges and Opportunities.*** Atlanta, Georgia, USA. Further information: jthelin@uky.edu.

February 1st-3rd 2010. ***The Big Fat Truth: What are we 'weighting' for?*** University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand. <http://www.otago.ac.nz/thebigfattruth2010>.

Are we really in the midst of an obesity epidemic? Is obesity a medical condition or a cultural malaise? What does the evidence tell us about obesity? What role does physical activity play in obesity prevention? If you have ever wondered about the answers to any of these questions, then this is the symposium for you!

Our aim is to foster critical debate about obesity and physical activity through keynote presentations and workshops delivered by six leading international researchers who each have a distinctly different perspective on obesity issues. It is our honour to host key note presentations from:

- Professor Steven Blair
- Professor Paul Campos
- Associate Professor Michael Gard
- Professor Michael Jensen
- Dr Jonathan McGavock
- Professor Nanette Mutrie

The symposium will be of interest to health professionals, researchers, educators and members of the general public interested in contemporary obesity research. It presents a unique opportunity to hear from world-renowned scholars and consider familiar 'truths', about obesity, health and physical activity. It also offers a chance to consider what might be done about obesity and the consequences of taking action for individuals and populations.

You will find information on the key note presenters, their presentations and workshops on the website. You will also find information on how to register for the Symposium. Look out for further announcements on the Symposium soon! If you need any further information about this exciting symposium then please email thebigfattruth@otago.ac.nz. We look forward to seeing you in sunny Dunedin in February!

June 14th-17th 2010. Sport for All Congress. Jyvaskyla, Finland.
Website: <http://www.sportforall2010.org>.

June 4-5th 2010. Korean Society for the Sociology of Sport. ***20th Anniversary Conference.***
Nb: no registration fees will be charged for overseas delegates.

Chester Centre for Research into Sport and Society (CCRSS)
University of Chester, UK
Annual Sociology of Sport and Exercise Seminar Series

The Chester Centre for Research into Sport and Society (CCRSS) at the University of Chester would like to warmly invite all colleagues and students to attend their *Annual Sociology of Sport and Exercise Seminar Series* held in conjunction with the Centre's campus-based MSc Sociology of Sport and Exercise programme. The CCRSS is located on the Chester campus at the University of Chester and further details of the Centre's activities and MSc programme can be found at www.chester.ac.uk/ccrss. Confirmed details of the lectures to be held this academic year thus far are:

Professor Jennifer Hargreaves (Brunel University) **Sport, Memory and Society: An Excuse for Talking about Myself!**, 29 October 2009, 6.30-8pm. Location: Binks 107.

Professor Fred Coalter (University of Stirling) **Is There a Wider Social Role for Sport in Sport Development?**, 19 November 2009, 6.30-8pm. Location: Binks 107.

Professor John Bale (Keele University) **The Genesis of Kenyan Running: 1900-1970**, 25 November 2009, 6-7.30pm. Location: Beswick 013.

Dr Tess Kay (Loughborough University) **Developing through Sport? Evidence and Ethics in Sport for Development Research**, 13 January 2010, 6-7.30pm. Location: Beswick 013.

Professor John Evans (Loughborough University) **Who Needs the Sociology of Education and Physical Education?**, 3 February 2010, 6-7.30pm. Location: Beswick 013.

Professor Barrie Houlihan (Loughborough University) **Delivering the School Sport Partnership Outcomes: What Works?**, 24 February 2010, 6-7.30pm. Location: Beswick 013.

Dr Emma Rich (Loughborough University) **Physical Education, Disordered Eating and Health**, March 2010 (Date to be Confirmed), 6-7.30pm. Location: Beswick 013.

All lectures take place on the Chester campus at the University of Chester, Parkgate Road, Chester, CH1 4BJ. Any colleagues who wish to attend any of the lectures listed above are kindly invited to contact Ros Frost by email (r.frost@chester.ac.uk) or telephone (01244 513454) as soon as possible to confirm their attendance. Any colleagues who wish to know more about the *Annual Sociology of Sport and Exercise Seminar Series* or the CCRSS more generally should contact Andy Smith, Programme Leader, MSc Sociology of Sport and Exercise, and Co-Director of the CCRSS.

We look forward to welcoming you to the CCRSS and University of Chester soon!



**PhD Studentships
Sociology of Sport/Sport Development**

The University of Chichester is offering a range of bursaries including the following for the **Sociology of Sport, Sport Development, Sport Sciences and Physical Education**:

1 bursary comprising of a stipend of £12000 per year for 3 years (fees waived)

1 bursary comprising of a stipend of £6000 per year for 3 years (fees waived)

The bursaries are aimed at students seeking to undertake **full time** research and starting in the current academic year. The specific topic for research is flexible, but applications will be particularly welcome if they relate to the sociology of sport-related injury, risk-taking behaviour, and/or professional healthcare; the sociology of physical activity in later life; and/or a sociological analysis of the local legacy for sport development during preparations for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The application

Each applicant will apply through the normal HR recruitment process of an online application or hard copy of the online form (this form asks for personal details, education history, employment history, 'other information' and references). Each applicant must prepare, in the form of a covering letter attached to their application, a proposal for research which includes:

- Title of the proposed investigation
- Subject area
- Proposed supervisor(s) (stating if they have been contacted and/or involved in proposal preparation)
- Mode of study (full time)
- Aims of the project/investigation
- Proposed plan of work
- A description of the research, indicating how the stated aims will be achieved, the methodology, and the expected outcomes. Use references to literature and any previous work you have undertaken as appropriate

Do not exceed 750 words, excluding any lists of references.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 20th 2009

For an application form please visit our website (www.chi.ac.uk/jobs) or call +44 1243 816116 (24-hour answerphone) or email: hr@chi.ac.uk. Successful applicants will be shortlisted and interviews held in December.

Informal enquiries may be addressed to Dr Elizabeth Pike at e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

Call for Papers
Physical Cultural Studies
Special Issue of Sociology of Sport Journal
Guest Editor: Michael L. Silk, David L. Andrews

Cultural studies has influenced the sociology of sport community for more than 3 decades. Recently, however, cultural studies of sport have reached something of an intellectual impasse. Although many sport researchers self-identify as having a cultural studies perspective, the work produced has increasingly become hampered by the adoption of moribund empirical, theoretical, and methodological orthodoxies, which is compounded by the failure of the field of cultural studies more generally to engage the complex and diverse practices and representations of active embodiment.

In recent times a specific area of critical intellectual inquiry has emerged, Physical Cultural Studies (PCS) (Andrews, 2008; Ingham, 1997), which actively seeks to reinvigorate and reconceptualize the cultural study of sport, while simultaneously compelling us to reconsider the empirical and political import of cultural physicalities. PCS advocates suggest it is mobilized as an emergent intellectual project with an interdisciplinary and multidimensional commitment toward critical and theoretically informed engagement with various expressions of the physical (including, but by no means restricted to, sport, exercise, fitness, leisure, health, dance, and movement-related active embodied practices). The aim of this call for papers is to generate a special issue that will further define the parameters of PCS.

PCS needs a provisional sense of coherence so it can offer a tangible contribution to the understanding of physical activity as a cultural project. As a result, there is a need to establish boundaries (acknowledging their permeable and fluid nature) that will define it as a relevant and impactful intellectual project. We thus call for papers that will aid in further defining the boundaries and challenges faced by a nascent PCS. We welcome papers centered on the key foundational principles of PCS that address: (1) the ontological core of the field—the radically contextual excavation of physical culture, or, in Grossberg's (2007) terms, a conjunctural history of the (physical) present; (2) epistemological approaches to PCS—those grounded in a moral-sacred approach that is inherently political, takes sides, and purports to "make a difference" to key social concerns of our time; (3) axiological issues—how the problematics enacted within a corporatized climate of methodological fundamentalism, evidence-based research, and default scientism impact on PCS; (4) avant-garde methodologies or practices that emerge from these philosophical discussions; and (5) ways of expressing our research—newer forms of written material, other forms of (re)presentation, or yet-to-be-imagined ways of producing and presenting knowledge.

In addition, we vision that this special issue will delineate explicit ontological, epistemological, methodological, political, and axiological assumptions that need to be dialogically engaged (and subsequently corroborated, extended, and/or challenged) through the practice of doing PCS and perhaps more accurately represent the distillation and generation of knowledge within the field.

Authors should follow the "Instructions for Contributors" found at <http://www.HumanKinetics.com/SSJ/JournalSubmissions.cfm> and in every issue of *Sociology of Sport Journal*. The paper should be roughly 8,000 words including endnotes and reference list. Submit online to http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/hk_ssj.

Please address questions to Dr. Michael Silk, m.silk@bath.ac.uk or Dr. David Andrews, dla@umd.edu
Due date for papers: March 31st, 2010

Public Management Review

Special Issue – The Public Management of Sport

Volume 11, Issue 4, July 2009

Guest Editor: Margaret Groeneveld

The editors of **Public Management Review** are pleased to announce the publication of a special issue on The Public Management of Sport. The following articles are free to view online until 31st December 2009:

Reflecting the public value of sport: A game of two halves?

Stephen Brookes and Jay Wiggan

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~db=all~content=a912525034>

European sport governance, citizens, and the state: Finding a (co-)productive balance for the twenty-first century

Margaret Groeneveld

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~db=all~content=a912524508>

Social Capital And Sport Policies In Australia: Policy transfer in action

Russell Hoye; Matthew Nicholson

Sport Policy and the New Public Management in the Caribbean

Convergence or resurgence?

Roy McCree

A Discourse Analysis of Australian Local Government Recreation and Sport Plans Provision For People with Disabilities

Richard McGrath

The Public Management of Sport: Wicked problems, challenges and dilemmas

Michael Sam

Managing natural Locations For Outdoor Recreation

The role of consultative procedures and the sense of justice

Elodie Wipf; Fabien Ohl; Margaret Groeneveld

View the Special Issue Table of Contents here:

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/title~db=all~content=g912530137>

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