

**Copenhagen Summer School 2009
First Announcement**



**Sport and movement cultures - developments and practices in a globalised world
Historical, Sociological, Psychological and Pedagogical Approaches**

**International Summer School for Young Researchers –
Course for PhD Students**

Date: August 17-24, 2009

Place: Institute of Exercise and Sport Sciences, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Aims and Concept

Modern sport is both a product and a motor of globalisation; it has developed into a worldwide institution which controls access and rules, as well as messages and images. Sportification with its focus on performance, competition and records has transformed traditional movement cultures, but new global trends, such as ‘sport for health’ and ‘sport for all’, are contributing to a desportification of modern sport.

The aim of this Summer School is to reconstruct the emergence of various concepts of physical activity in the Western world and their struggle for dominance in the social field of sport. Emphasis will be laid on the causes and effects of global sport, among others the adaptation of movement cultures to sporting principles, as well as inclusion and exclusion processes which disadvantage or privilege people depending on their social and ethnic backgrounds and the resources of their respective countries. A major focus of the Summer School will be on the impact of globalisation on various areas, for example physical education, sport business, media sport, bodily performance or sport-related migration. Global health, body and beauty ideals and practices constitute a further issue of debate, which will include the discourses and policies pursued in various countries. As global processes always have to be embedded in a local context, “glocalisation”, the

transformation of global developments to suit the local environment, will be one of the Summer School topics.

In the discussion of global sport one has also to take the roles and reactions of individuals into consideration. How does global media sport influence motivation and sports participation among children, adolescents and adults and among women and men? We will explore how the different movement cultures (and sub-cultures) provide certain images and how these are used for enactments and become part of identities.

The Summer School, which addresses PhD students and young researchers, offers the opportunity of acquiring knowledge about the state of the art in the area of theories and methods, and the opportunity of presenting research, of discussing problems, of obtaining advice from experts and of building up a network. The involvement of internationally renowned experts will guarantee that knowledge and advice, as well as the evaluation of students' papers, will contribute decisively to research of high quality and relevance.

Organisation:

In keynote lectures the experts will address important questions, new approaches and results, problems and strategies of research, current trends and major issues in the area of sport and globalisation. The students will have the opportunity of asking questions and discussing with the experts. In addition, there will be workshops and panel discussions. All students will have the opportunity to present a report of their own projects. Papers with the main outlines of these projects must be submitted before the Summer School begins. There will be an in-depth discussion of each research project in working groups with other students and with experts. In addition, the experts are available for individual supervision.

Experts:

Scholars of the Department of Exercise and Health Sciences

Guest lecturers (to be confirmed)

Henning Eichberg, Denmark, University of Odense

Sigmund Loland, Norway, head of the Norwegian Sport University

Andrew Sparkes, UK, University of Exeter
Elizabeth Pike, UK, University of Chichester
Gerald Gems, U.S., North Central College
and others

Selection of the students:

The Summer School will take place in collaboration with the International Societies for Sport History, (ISHPES) and Sport Sociology (ISSA) and the European Association of Sport Psychology (FEPSAC).

Participants will be selected according to the following criteria: topic, state of research, quality of the project. Participants should be young researchers (either planning a PhD, working on their PhD or post docs). The participants may work in different disciplines from pedagogy to history.

The number of participants will be between 20 and 25; it is aimed to include students from as many countries as possible.

The participation in the Summer School is free.

We have applied for funding and may be able to provide free lunches.

Travel and accommodation has to be covered by the participants.

There is the opportunity to sleep in a youth hostel in the centre of Copenhagen.

Call for applications:

Please send a CV and an abstract of your PhD project to:

phdsummerschool@ifi.ku.dk

Deadline: May15, 2009

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