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# The IOC Olympic Studies Centre and its Research Grant Programmes

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We share Olympic knowledge by providing information, giving access to our unique collections, enabling research and stimulating dialogue between academics and the Olympic Movement

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## Unique and constantly enriched Olympic knowledge

- All IOC publications since 1894
- 1,5 km of IOC historical archives
- OCOG, IF and NOC publications
- All Candidature files



# Unique and constantly enriched Olympic knowledge

- Reference documents and factsheets
- Academic publications (books, journals, grant reports, etc.)
- Games results and participation data
- Lists of academic conferences and programmes



# The Olympic World Library

[www.olympic.org/library](http://www.olympic.org/library)

- > Library catalogue, search engine and information portal
- > 36.000 titles (IOC, OCOG, NOC, IF Games time publications, academic)
- > ZOOM IN pages to facilitate research on topics of research
- > Project to develop the OWL meta-catalogue

The screenshot displays the Olympic World Library website. At the top, the header includes the Olympic rings logo and the text 'Olympic World Library' and 'THE OLYMPIC STUDIES CENTRE'. Below the header is a search bar with the text 'OSC CATALOGUE' and a search icon. To the right of the search bar are 'LOG IN' and 'FR | EN' buttons. Below the search bar is a navigation menu with 'COLLECTIONS -', 'DISCOVER -', and 'ABOUT'. The main content area features a 'NEW RELEASES' section with a grid of book covers: 'The treasures of the Olympic Games', 'Sport consumer behaviour', 'HOTEL MEXICO', and 'WOMEN AND SPORT'. To the right of the book covers is a sign-up form for 'NEW RELEASES' and 'OSC NEWSLETTER'. Below the book covers is a 'LATEST ADDITIONS >' link. At the bottom, there are sections for 'KEY COLLECTIONS' including 'OLYMPIC REVIEW', 'OLYMPIC CHARTER', 'OFFICIAL REPORTS OF THE SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES', and 'OFFICIAL REPORTS OF THE WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES'. On the right side, there is a 'PLAN YOUR VISIT' section with the text 'MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9 A.M. TO 5 P.M.' and 'The OSC is closed on the following holidays. MORE INFO >'.

## Our expert team can help you with

- Facts and historical information
- Personalised research guidance
- Access to IOC historical archives
- International loan (via public libraries or NOCs)
- Research funds
- Access to a network of experts





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# Collaboration with universities



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# Giving research grants to enhance the pool of Olympic knowledge

- > Advanced Research Grant Programme
- > PhD Students & Early Career Academics Research Grant Programme



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# Advanced Research Grant Programme (1)

## Objective

- > To encourage advanced research with a humanities or social sciences perspective by established researchers in priority fields of research identified annually by the IOC.

## Beneficiaries

- > University professors / lecturers having completed their doctorate or equivalent degree and currently holding an academic appointment.

## Grant awards

- > Max. USD 20'000 (individual and collective applications).

## Edition 2021 / 2022

- > Deadline for submitting applications: 1 February 2021



# Advanced Research Grant Programme (2)

## Selection procedure

- > Including IOC departments, external peer-review experts and OSC representatives.
- > Final recommendations by the Selection Committee.
- > Final validation by the IOC.

## Communication and collaboration between grant holders and IOC

- > The grant holders are required to meet the IOC representatives at the beginning of the research to ensure a common vision of the project and that the research outcomes will be relevant for the IOC's activities.

## Deliverables

- > Final research report to be delivered within one year since the award notification.

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# IOC Priority Fields of Research 2021-2022

- > Athletes
- > Olympic Games
- > Large Scale Events
- > Sustainable Development Goals
- > SDGs – Gender Equality
- > Olympic Movement – Ethics and Governance
- > Sport, Health and Economy

# Athletes



- > The **impact of the postponement** of Olympic Games **Tokyo 2020** and other international sports competitions on **athletes' mental health, sport performance and unexpected retirement** – Case studies, including various summer sports from different continents.
- > **Coaching and mentoring Generation Z athletes**: how to coach young elite athletes (age range: 15-18), understand their expectations, develop constructive relationships with them, include values in their training, identify challenges, skills and strategies to be favoured based on case studies, including various summer and winter sports from different continents.
- > **Safe Sporting Environments**: Research into athletes', coaches' and sports organisations' experiences from different sports and countries to determine **evidence-based interventions to safeguard athletes from harassment and abuse in sport**.
- > Athletes at the heart of the Olympic Movement – Opportunities and challenges to strengthen the **rights and responsibilities of the athletes**.

# Olympic Games (1)



- > Olympic legacy evaluation – [Examining legacies using empirical, data-driven approaches](#). Priority will be given to studies looking at under-researched Olympic Games editions – [Summer Games](#) held in the period [1972-2004](#) and [Winter Games](#) held in the period [1968-2006](#) – and to Olympic candidatures. Candidates interested in the topic will find on the [Olympic World Library](#) a Systematic review of academic publications on the legacy of the Olympic Games from 1896 to 2016 (see [here](#)).
- > [Intangible Olympic legacies](#) – Examining the long-term changes initiated by hosting the Olympic Games or the Youth Olympic Games in terms of: a) skills, knowledge and networks; b) policy and governance; and c) intellectual property and its impact on Olympic (parent) brand . The studies should be empirical and look at Olympic Games editions, Youth Olympic Games editions or Olympic candidatures with at least a four-year “test of time” (i.e. editions from 2016 or before).

## Olympic Games (2)



- > “Urban sports” as an opportunity to strengthen links between sport, art, culture and society – Case studies based on the “urban sports/disciplines/events” included in the Olympic programmes for Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 (skateboarding, BMX, breaking, basketball 3x3, sport climbing and surfing).
- > Development of a methodology for a comprehensive longitudinal research on OCOG led Olympic Education Programmes, their role and potential impact in promoting Olympism locally (in the host country) and globally, and their contribution towards the success of the Games and towards creating lasting benefits for young people in the host territory.

# Large-scale sports events



- > **Main global opportunities, challenges and industry trends** on the organisation and delivery of and participation in large-scale sports events:

From an **athlete's and event organiser's point of view**, considering the growing impact of virtual and digital components (“phygital” experience)

From a **sustainability point of view**, as a result of the growing need for responsible and sustainable models

From an **economic point of view**, to address changing business models and revenue streams.

From a **participant experience point of view** (including spectators, staff and volunteers, coaches and referees, etc.), in light of the evolution of the social, demographic and health conditions.

# Sustainable Development Goals



- > Contribution of the Olympic Movement, the sports sector and/or the sports development sector to the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) – Case studies and analysis of the impact of sports initiatives, especially those organised at local level, and of their inclusion in a human rights-based approach.
- > The role that Safe Sport can play in humanitarian crises and the impact of Safe Sport on refugee, internally displaced young people and host communities (impact on psychosocial well-being, mental health, social cohesion and social inclusion). How Safe Spaces and Safe Sport contribute to protecting girls and boys. (For more information, please refer to the [“Sport for Protection toolkit: Programming with Young People in Forced Displacement Settings”](#) created by UNHCR, the IOC and Terre des hommes).

# SDGs – Gender equality



- > **Barriers and challenges faced by high-performance women coaches and referees at Summer and Winter Olympic Games sports from all continents.** Research into the obstacles that women experience, as well as the identification of good practices that serve to attract and retain women as Games sports coaches and referees.
- > **Sports organisations' initiatives to improve women's engagement across the organisation's administration and governance** – Analysis of good practices and successful initiatives of NOCs and National Sports Federations **in Global South.**



# Olympic Movement - Ethics and integrity



- > Analysis of the means and methods implemented by the International Sports Federations and the National Olympic Committees to convey and apply the ethics and integrity rules established by the Olympic Movement, which are the Code of Ethics, the Basic Universal Principles of Good Governance and the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions.

# Sport, health and economy



- > **The place of sport and physical activity in the health sector as both prevention and primary healthcare tools against non-communicable diseases** – Analysis of the trends of the political discourse and policies of national governments as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic with a particular interest in future Olympic Games host countries.
- > **The economic dimension of the sports sector** – Meta analysis of studies already conducted assessing sport-related GDP and sport-related economic activity and employment.

# PhD & ECA Research Grant Programme (1)

## Main objective

- To encourage PhD Students and Early Career Academics in their research with a humanities or social sciences perspective on any aspect of the Olympic phenomenon.

## Beneficiaries

- Applicants preparing a PhD thesis in one or more disciplines within humanities and social sciences perspectives and having Olympism, the Olympic Movement or the Olympic Games as one of the research topics.
- Academic staff members and postdoctoral fellows who have completed their doctorate in the past three years.

# PhD & ECA Research Grant Programme (2)

## Grant awards

- > Max. USD 6'000

## Selection procedure

- > Assessment by the Selection Committee and OSC representatives.

## Deliverables

- > Final research report to be delivered within one year since the award notification.



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### APPLY FOR AN OSC ADVANCED RESEARCH GRANT

The 2018/2019 edition of the OSC's Advanced Research Grant Programme is now online. For those interested in applying, the rules and application form can be found [here](#).

Be sure to check out the 14 priority research topics, which were recently set by the IOC departments, highlighting key areas for which academic research is welcome. For those interested in looking back at past Advanced Olympic Research Grant Programmes, the first two issues of a new series of publications featuring the full reports of previous editions have now been published. Covering the 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 editions, they are available both in hard copy and electronic formats. Please write to us at [studies.centre@olympic.org](mailto:studies.centre@olympic.org) if you'd like to receive the hard copies.



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### OLYMPIC STUDIES AROUND THE GLOBE

The Center for Sociocultural Sport and Olympic Research at the California State University has launched a call for academic papers on sport and the Olympic Games for their first annual conference.



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### 3 QUESTIONS ABOUT OLYMPIC GAMES KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT (OGKM)

Christophe Dubi, Olympic Games Executive Director and Chris Payne, Head of Olympic Games Knowledge Management (OGKM), share their thoughts on the OGKM programme and its future evolution.



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