

ASSH Student Essay and Dissertation Prizes

ASSH offers two prizes annually for quality work by tertiary or secondary students in the general field of sports culture. Appropriate areas of focus are: sport and economics, sport in history, law, literature, philosophy, politics, social psychology and sociology. Sports culture and tradition should be seen as being broad not confined.

The ASSH Dissertation Prize will be awarded to an Honours Thesis written in 1999. One (returnable) copy should be submitted. The prize is \$200 and a one year subscription to ASSH. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The winning dissertation may be published in an ASSH Study in Sports History.

The ASSH Essay Prize will be awarded to an essay written in 1999. Two copies should be submitted. The prize is \$200 and a one year subscription to ASSH. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the judging panel. The winning essay may be published in the ASSH Bulletin.

All entries should be submitted in an unbound form for ease of duplication and dispersal to reading panels. Submissions should be sent to:

Angela Burroughs
Secretary, ASSH
Planning Office
University of New South Wales
Sydney NSW 2059

The deadline for submission is **31 January 2000**.

Please note: Work completed in **2000** will be eligible for the 2000 Student Essay and Dissertation Prize. Look for announcements of this prize in upcoming ASSH publications.

Olympic Opportunity

The Centre for Olympic Studies invites you to join us on an adventure – to be one of the people to represent the Centre in the Main Press Centre at Homebush during the 2000 Olympic Games.

The role of the Centre will be to support SOCOG's research and information service for international media. For the first time in the history of the modern Olympics this function will be enhanced by a 'Scholar in Residence' who will be attached to the Centre's unit within the Main Press Centre. We will have a designated office space with computer, reception desk and a library containing books, journals, reports and audio visual aids. The main tool of our operation will be an online database of Australian Olympic research and Australian scholars with an Olympic interest. This database is currently being developed by the Centre. International journalists who have seen SOCOG's plans for the Main Press Centre have hailed this innovation. We will be able to quickly put the international media in touch with an Australian expert on almost any issue that may arise.

As you can imagine, we will need a large crew of people to support this operation. The Centre's office at the MPC needs to be attended twenty-four hours a day for 33 days of the Olympics and the Paralympics.

So we want to offer this Chance of a Lifetime – to become part of the team of Volunteers for the MPC for the Olympics and Paralympics. You will be provided with an official Olympic uniform, transport to and from the MPC, accreditation to the MPC and all your meals.

We would be delighted if you would join us in providing this service. Attached are some documents outlining the operation and a response sheet. If you are interested in this please return this by 10 January 2000.

The Operation

The period of operation will be: a total of thirty three days (33) before and during the Olympics – from 15 September until 1 October and then for a further twelve days (12) of the Paralympics – from 18 October to 29 October.

During this time the Main Press Centre will be buzzing for the full 24 hours of the day . . . or the equivalent of 135 eight hour shifts over the period. It will be a marathon event!

The exact timing of the shifts has yet to be determined but it may look something like:

Shift 1: 8am – 4 pm

Shift 2: 4 pm – 12 midnight

Shift 3: Midnight – 8 am

We are looking for people to work at least ten (10) shifts. Ideally we would like people to do fifteen (15) and twenty (20) shifts for both the Olympics and Paralympics combined. It would be helpful if some people could volunteer some time before and during the Games.

So what's in for you?

- ⇒ The chance to develop relationships and work with fellow sports buffs
- ⇒ Gain new knowledge and skills
- ⇒ Improve the Olympic Experience by adding the scholarly aspect and the historical perspective.
- ⇒ To help host the many working visitors to Sydney.
- ⇒ To set a standard so that the Scholar in resident becomes a part of future Olympics.

What do we need from you at this stage?

Please fill in the expression of interest form on the following page and send or fax it to the Centre for Olympic Studies by 10 January 2000.

We look forward to having you join us in this once in a lifetime event!

Expressions Of Interest

Last Name:

First Name:

Address:

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Postcode:

Phone No:

Fax No:

E-mail:

Please indicate that you are prepared to volunteer time to become a part of the Centre for Olympic Studies crew.

During the Olympics?

Yes

No

During the Paralympics?

Yes

No

Ten (10) shifts at eight (8) hours per shift?

Yes

No

Twenty (20) shifts at eight (8) hours per shift?

Yes

No

Return to:

Fax (preferred): 02 9385 1551

Please return by 17 December:

Post: Rm G 17 Morven Brown Building

University of New South Wales

Kensington 2052

E-mail: olympics@unsw.edu.au

Thank you for taking the time to provide us with this information.

Queries: 9385 1551 or 9385 2311 or olympics@unsw.edu.au