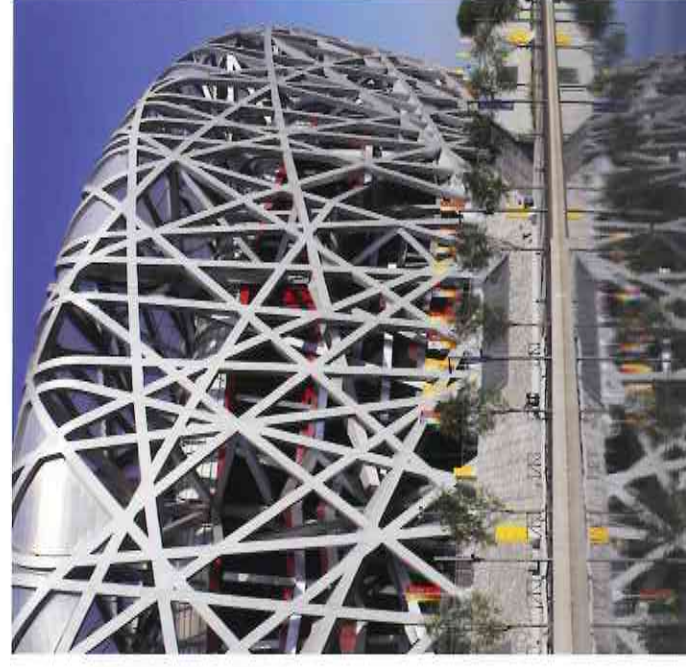


POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAMME 2012



THE IOC OLYMPIC STUDIES CENTRE (OSC) ORGANISES AN ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAMME INTENDED FOR YOUNG RESEARCHERS ENGAGED IN SCHOLARLY RESEARCH ON THE OLYMPIC MOVEMENT, ITS HISTORY AND IDEALS, AND THE IMPACT OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY AND CULTURE.

1. Objectives

The objectives of this programme are as follows:

- 1.1 Encourage young researchers to undertake research with a humanities or social sciences perspective on the Olympic phenomena. All projects dealing with the Olympic Movement and/or the Olympic Games will be considered. However, for the 2012 selection, the **priority fields of research** are as follows:
 - Young people and their relationship with physical activity, sport and Olympism (interest, participation and engagement).
 - The relevance of Olympic education in today's society, countries and school programmes.
 - Sport for All: Health and social benefits of regular physical activity for people of all ages, both sexes and different social and economic conditions.
 - Olympic Day: Evolution of the annual celebration of Olympism worldwide. Origins, development and perspectives.
 - Elite athletes: The role of the entourage in the athletes' sport career and/or in the preparation of the post-sport career.
 - Sport as a tool for human development. How can sport make the difference?
 - The various aspects of the legacy of the Olympic Games. How can an Olympic city remain "Olympic"?
 - Sustainability reporting in major events: Best practices and trends in the communication of economic, environmental and social outcomes.

- The various ways of living the Olympic experience through the Games. Benchmarking with other major events.
- The contributions of the cultural and/or educational programmes to the Olympic Games' reach in the host country and/or beyond.
- The participation of the National Olympic Committees in the Olympic Winter Games: Origins, evolution and future perspectives.

1.2 Promote IOC patrimony consultation by facilitating access to the historical archives of the IOC, the library collections and the image collections. Please be informed that, due to the temporary closure of The Olympic Museum in 2012, the OSC staff will do their best to facilitate access to the IOC patrimony but this cannot be fully guaranteed.

1.3 Encourage exchanges of information and interdisciplinary and intercultural networking of young researchers. Particular attention will be given to collective applications which demonstrate collaboration between research members from different disciplines and countries.

2. Eligibility

The following researchers are eligible to apply:

- All current postgraduate students undertaking a PhD degree.
- All university professors/lecturers who have completed their doctorate or equivalent terminal degree (including masters, depending on the field) in the past five years (from PhD completion to the submission of the grant application), and who currently hold an academic appointment.

3. Application procedures and deadlines

Applications must be received by e-mail or post at the OSC (see address below) **no later than 30 September 2011**.

Applicants will be notified of the results of their application **by the end of December 2011**.

Research projects supported by a grant must be completed and submitted to the IOC in either French or English **before 31 December 2012**.

4. Grant awards

Successful applicants will receive a research grant of a maximum of CHF 10,000 for an individual and CHF 15,000 for collective projects.

Secretariat

To find the full description and the official application form of the Postgraduate Research Grant Programme, please consult our web site (University Relations' section):

<http://www.olympic.org/studies>

or contact us at the address mentioned below. Application files, and any related correspondence, should be sent to:

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