Lectures

Lecture 1:
Cultural policy, sport and outdoor life – the case of Norway
Professor Nils Asle Bergsgard (Bø, Norway)

Lecture 2:
Sport, Culture and Globalization
Professor Hans Hognestad (Bø, Norway)

Lecture 3:
The Sport and Culture Interface: Theoretical Issues
Professor Richard Giulianotti (Loughborough, GB)

Lecture 4:
Talent Identification – Mission Impossible?
Professor Tor Söderström (Umeå, Sweden)

Lecture 5:
Social Research Methods in Sport
Professor Lone Friis Thing (Copenhagen, Denmark)

Lecture 6:
The Multi-Level-Paradigm in Sport Sociology
Professor Siegfried Nagel (Bern, Switzerland)

Lecture 7:
Mapping Activity Biographies
Professor Ansgar Thiel (Tübingen, Germany)

Lecture 8:
Participating Observation and Ethnography in Sports
Professor Tommy Langseth (Bø, Norway)

Schedule

Mon 9 Apr

09:00-13:00 Arrangement and Registration
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00-13:30 Introduction
13:30-14:50 Lecture 1
14:50-15:10 Coffee Break
15:10-16:30 Lecture 2
17:00 Welcome Barbecue

Tue 10 Apr

09:00-10:20 Lecture 3
10:20-10:40 Coffee Break
10:40-12:00 Lecture 4
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00-16:30 Student Presentations
16:30-17:30 Question & Answer Session
19:30 Informal Dinner

Wed 11 Apr

09:00-10:20 Lecture 5
10:20-10:40 Coffee Break
10:45-11:45 Student Presentations
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00-14:00 Student Presentations
14:00-15:00 Optional Sports Activities: Black Roll, Swim, Ball Sports
16:00-17:00 Stocherkahnfahrt; Punting Trip
17:00-18:00 City Tour

Thu 12 Apr

09:00-10:20 Lecture 6
10:20-10:40 Coffee Break
10:30-12:00 Student Presentations
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00-14:20 Lecture 7
14:20-14:30 Coffee Break
14:30-16:00 Student Presentations
09:00-10:20 Lecture 8
10:20-10:40 Coffee Break
10:40-12:00 Module Conclusion
12:00-13:00 Lunch
13:00-14:00 Departure

International PhD Workshop
„Culture, Sport and Society“
09–13 April, 2018
Tübingen, Germany
Course

Sport is an increasingly vibrant and important area of social and cultural life, and is therefore a key subject for study in its own right. The study of sport enables us to gain a much deeper understanding of culture, particularly with respect to cultural production and cultural politics.

Course Aims

The aim of the course is to advance student interest in and understanding of the social and cultural aspects of sport, with particular reference to broader issues of culture, cultural production and cultural politics. Additionally, the course is intended to stimulate innovative and creative perspectives on sport and culture.

Curriculum

The curriculum will include the following topics and issues:

- Sport, cultural politics and cultural identities; how can we compare sport politics, conflicts, symbols and identities with other cultural spheres?
- Sport and globalization; how can we compare sport and development projects (e.g. sport mega-events) in different cultural contexts?
- Sport, economy and media in different cultural contexts.
- Sport, the body and the environment in different cultural contexts.
- Sport and socio-cultural ‘problems’, e.g. doping, violence, exclusion.
- Research methods in sport science.

Course Structure and Supervisors

The course will feature a mix of lectures and workshops. Workshops will enable students to discuss their projects with lecturers and fellow students.

Academic staff will act as supervisors of the PhD students. Students will also receive practical advice and guidance on writing up their projects, and on how to write for publication in academic books, journals and other media.

The course seeks to provide the basis for the development of long-term international research networks involving PhD students and more distinguished scholars and researchers in the field of sport science.

Organization

The PhD course is organized by the University College of Southeast Norway (USN), Norway, and Eberhard Karls University Tübingen, Germany.

Key contacts for the organization of the academic side of the course are Richard Giuliani (USN) (richard.giulianotti@hit.no), Nils Asle Bergsgard (USN) (nils.a.bergsgard@usn.no) and Ansgar Thiel (Tübingen) (ansgar.thiel@uni-tuebingen.de).

The key contact for practical matters is Alexia Schnell (alexia.schnell@uni-tuebingen.de).

Venue

This year’s course venue is the Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen, Germany.

The University of Tübingen was founded in 1477. Nowadays, it is a place where more than 28.000 students are educated in seven different faculties.

The Institute of Sports Science (IfS) was founded in 1839. Among German sports institutes the IfS consistently reaches top positions in national rankings. The workshop „Culture, Sport and Society“ is a result of the international networking process which has been fostered over the last years.

In addition to the academic program, participants will get the chance to discover the historic city of Tübingen and become familiar with local attractions like a punting trip on the river Neckar.

The city of Tübingen has around 86.000 inhabitants, 27.000 of them are students. Therefore Tübingen enjoys a good reputation as a young and cosmopolitan students’ town.