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SUBJECT: CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

The Department of Sports Organization and Management of the Faculty of Human Movement and Quality of Life Sciences of the University of Peloponnese with the support of the International Olympic Academy organizes for the Academic year of 2014-2015 the Master's Degree Programme with the title "**Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events**".

The Master's Degree Programme for the Olympic Studies constitutes an innovation in the Olympic Movement at an international level. The educational programme is based on the three pillars of the Olympic Movement: Education, Sports and Culture, which constitute the foundation for Olympism and Olympic Pedagogy.

The philosophy of the programme is consistent with the values of the Olympic movement for the diffusion of the Olympic ideal worldwide, the promotion of knowledge and research in Olympic issues and global participation.

POSTGRADUATE TITLE

The Master's degree Programme's title is "Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events" (MSc)

OBJECTIVES

- The promotion of knowledge and research on issues of Olympic philosophy and education, organization and management of Olympic Games, big athletic events and in general Olympic and athletic studies.
- To provide students with specialized knowledge at a postgraduate level on issues related to Olympic Studies as well as the necessary means for their academic, professional or research career.

- To provide a specialized workforce that will organize and direct Olympic and athletic institutions, promote the growth of programmes of Olympic education in international level and that will contribute in the creation of a scientific background for the growth and organization of sports.

APPLICATIONS

The following categories of students may be admitted to the Master's Degree Programme; degree holders from Greek and foreign Higher Educational Institutions, preferably officials of National Olympic Academies, National Olympic Committees, the International Olympic Committee and EU Committees for Education, Culture and Sport or graduates of Centers for Olympic Studies, Schools of Sports Organization and Management, Physical Education, Journalism, Economic Faculties and other Departments, as well as corresponding Departments of recognized institutions of equivalent status in Greece and abroad and degree holders from Technology Institute Departments in related subject areas. The number of students is limited to thirty (30).

DURATION OF PROGRAMME

The duration of the programme is three (3) semesters. Students are required to attend two semesters of lectures in Greece and the third semester is done at student's place.

Dates of Lectures in Greece:

First Semester: 18/9/2014-14/11/2014

Second Semester: 17/4/2015-17/6/2015

The dates of the second semester are subject to change.

LOCATION

The programme takes place at the facilities of the International Olympic Academy in Ancient Olympia and the facilities of the University of Peloponnese in Sparta.

TEACHING PROGRAMME

The presence of the students at all the lectures is mandatory and the submission of module assignments and examinations at the end of each semester as well as the dissertation project at the end of the 3rd semester will determinate the success of the participants in this programme.

1st Semester

Mandatory Modules

M.1.1- The birth of sports. The history and philosophy of sport in Antiquity.

M.1.2- The modern Olympic Games (revival, historic development of the Summer and Winter Olympic Games – social, political and cultural aspects of the Olympic Games – Olympic Institutions – Olympic Law)

M.1.3- Olympic Pedagogy I: Development and implementation of Olympic education programmes in school.

M.1.4- Sport and Ethics – Olympic Philosophy

Optional Modules (1 from below)

O1- The role, organization and operation of Olympic museums and libraries

O2- Financial management of sports organizations

O3- International relations and the Olympic Movement.

2nd Semester

Mandatory Modules

M.2.1- Olympic Pedagogy II: Development and implementation of Olympic education programmes for schools

M.2.2- Evaluation of Olympic education programmes; Research methodology.

M.2.3- Olympic Games Organization and Management (technology, media, financial management, communication, etc.)

M.2.4- Olympic sponsoring and marketing

Optional (1 from below)

O4-Special Olympic Movement issues: Media – Technology and Olympic Games, doping, fair play, racism and sport, intercultural education, volunteerism etc.

O5-Strategic and operational planning of major sports events

3rd semester

Preparation, submission and presentation of Master's Thesis

All lectures are held in English.

COSTS AND FEES

The total fees for the programme are 3000 Euro for the three semesters. They are due and payable before the beginning of each semester (2 installments). The fees include tuition fees, accommodation and full boarding for nine weeks per semester (duration of lectures), group transportation from Athens to Ancient Olympia and Sparta and travelling costs for the educational tours (accommodation, boarding, transportation, museum visits) in the prefecture of Peloponnese (4 days) and North Greece (4 days). There is also the possibility of providing scholarships given by other institutions, i.e. Olympic Solidarity. Applicants who are interested

in applying for a scholarship may declare it in the application form and contact their National Olympic Committees and National Olympic Academies for further information.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE- DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

The required documents for the application are:

- Application form
- Certified copy of Diploma or Degree with detailed marks
- CV – curriculum vitae of the applicant
- Two recommendation letters one of which has to originate from a University Professor. Any other recommendation letter especially from National Olympic Academy or National Olympic Committee or other athletic organizations will be taken into consideration.
- Certified copy of any language certificate.
- Certified copy of Passport or ID Card (ID Card only for European Countries)
- Copy of any published academic work
- Two passport size photographs of applicant with adequate identification

All document copies must be **certified** by an official institution.

The short listed applicants will be interviewed via skype.

All applications with all the required documents must be submitted till the 15th April 2014 to the secretariat of the Master's Degree programme at following address:

**Master's Degree Programme on Olympic Studies
Director Prof. K. Georgiadis
52, Dimitrios Vikelas Avenue
152 33 Chalandri – Athens, Greece**

Applicants for scholarship should also send the documents via email.

For any other information please contact the Secretary of the Master's Degree programme at telephone numbers: +30 210 6878952, +30 2710230385, fax: +30 210 6878840 or by email: master@ioa.org.gr