

Case Studies in Sport and Exercise Psychology (CSSEP)

Call for Papers for a Special Issue Beyond the Esports Horizon— Expanding the Realms of Sport and Exercise Psychology

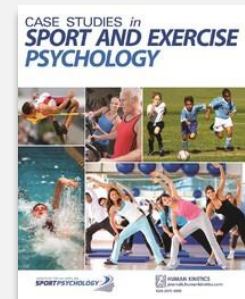
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Esports has fast become one of the largest industries in terms of value, viewership, and participation. While esports is not necessarily new, the application of sport and exercise psychology has been of burgeoning interest to scholars and practitioners. Despite a number of parallels being drawn between esports and traditional sports, esports is truly unique, from the language used (e.g., tilt, scrims, draft) to the team structure and day-to-day processes of a team (e.g., often a blend of online and offline work). As such, sport and exercise psychologists are well suited to working in such contexts to support performance, development, well-being, and participation. Nevertheless, there is currently a paucity of research to inform ethical and effective practice in the esports context. Therefore, this special issue is designed to advance the evidence base by inviting contributions that might include but are not limited to the following:

- Providing sport psychology support to a multidisciplinary team in esports, exploring experiences of sport psychology integration, challenges, and successes
- The influence of gaming and/or esports on social and youth development
- Consulting with individual esports players on exercise- or performance-related cases
- Retrospective reflections on working in esports, exploring ethical dilemmas, and contextual uniqueness
- Sport psychology support for the esports coach. What does it look like and can it help individuals and teams?
- Exploring skill acquisition in esports and/or gaming

Manuscript Guidelines

Before writing and submitting a case, please read "[Writing Manuscripts for Case Studies in Sport and Exercise Psychology](#)" and "[Conducting and Publishing Case Study Research in Sport and Exercise Psychology](#)" for guidelines. Manuscripts for this special issue must be submitted through ScholarOne at https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/hk_cssep. Please select "Special issue: Esports Horizons" as the submission type.

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