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Open Call for Proposals for a Special Issue for the *Journal of Sport Management*

On behalf of the editorial team at the *Journal of Sport Management (JSM)*, interested scholars are invited to submit proposals to guest edit a special issue for *JSM* ([Special Issue Guidelines](#)). The editorial team is presenting this open call to solicit ideas for proposals with the potential to define and establish an area of study, and to set the direction for future work. Proposals may include a focus on highlighting new directions in sport management research, displaying innovative and creative work in sport management, or showcasing the cutting edge work of sport management scholars. The open call is an opportunity for members to put forward their ideas on what may be truly foundational work in sport management. It is our hope that this special issue generates a great deal of interest and, subsequently, is cited well into the future.

The deadline for submissions to *become the guest editor/s of this special issue* is **December 13, 2024**. The person(s) submitting the proposal will be nominating themselves as Editor(s) of the special issue (to work in collaboration with the Senior Associate Editor of *JSM*). The proposal should include, but is not necessarily limited to:

- A description of your vision for the special issue
- Specification of the importance of this issue to the field
- An indication of the authors that might be expected to contribute manuscripts to the special issue
- A communication strategy to create awareness of the special issue relevant to the proposed vision
- One page CV highlighting the background, experience and expertise of the guest editors to edit the special issue
- Detailed timeline that includes estimated dates or time frames for the following steps:
 - (a) Call for papers
 - (b) Submission deadline
 - (c) Review process (averages 4 months)
 - (d) Revision process (averages 3 months)

- (e) Final editing and approval from JSM editor
- (f) Completion and submission to Human Kinetics (must be at least 3 months prior to the issue cover month; e.g., completion by January 1 for the April issue)
- Full contact details for the editor(s) of the special issue

The designated Special Editor(s) will undertake the normal responsibilities of editor for the special issue with all manuscript accepted for the special issue to be submitted to the publisher through the *JSM* editorial team. The Special Issue Editor(s) will:

- In consultation with the Senior Associate Editor, appoint reviewers
- Keep the Senior Associate Editor informed about the progress and status of all manuscripts under their control
- Handle all of the normal matters of correspondence (via Scholar One) with reviewers, as well as with the corresponding author in a timely and confidential manner, including the decision to accept, revise or reject a manuscript
- Provide the Senior Associate Editor all reviewer's feedback and recommendations and a final recommendation for each manuscript via Scholar One
- Upon final acceptances, recommend to the Senior Associate Editor those manuscripts to be published in the special issue.

Please note that Special Issue Editors may publish only one manuscript (beyond the "introduction" article found in every special issue) in the special issue.

The associated special issue will be due for publication in **June, 2026**. The deadline for article submissions for this special issue will be **July 31st, 2025**.

Proposals to be the editor/s of this special issue should be submitted to Shannon Kerwin at skerwin@brocku.ca, by December 13, 2024.