

## Course Syllabus-Current Ethical and Legal Challenges in Sport

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**Language of Instruction:** English

**Professor:** Alberto Carrio Sampedro. José Luis Pérez Trviño

**Professor's Contact and Office Hours:** Every day previous email appointment

**Course Contact Hours:** 30 hours

**Recommended Credit:** 4 ECTS credits

**Weeks:** 2

**Course Prerequisites:** None

**Language Requirements:** English Intermediate level

### Course Description:

The increasing importance of sport around the world, its rising role in the international business and the several scandals of corruption, doping, match-fixing, violence, sexual abuse, the challenge of transgender inclusion to equality in sport or the ethical and legal problems raised by artificial intelligence in sport, are some of the currently issues that the governance of sport today has to face. The legal and ethical challenges that these and other issues raise are very important and difficult to solve.

In this course we will analyse and try to identify ways of solving main current challenges in sport, offer criteria and guidelines for good governance in sport, and examine other future challenges that sport is just facing.

### Learning Objectives:

At the end of this course the students will be able to

- a) Identify some of the main challenges of Sport Governance
- b) Distinguish legal from moral argumentation in sports
- c) Be engaged in legal and ethical discussion on Sport Governance
- d) Be engaged in conceptual analysis in ethics and law of sports
- e) Develop and present an initial research on the main ethical and legal

### Course Workload

The course is divided into lectures, discussions, and working groups. Flipped Class Room methodology and ABPs are used in the first week of the program.

### Methods of Instruction:

The course includes both lectures, Flipped Class Room, Integrative and collaborative learning, integration of teaching and student research.

### Method of Assessment

First Part. Week 1.

Class Participation. Flipped Class 10%

Research Groups ABP 40%

Research group paper 40%

Second Part Week 2

Class Participation: 10 percent

Paper/Journal: 30 percent

Midterm Exam: 30 percent

Final Exam: 30 percent

## Absence Policy

Attending class is mandatory and will be monitored daily by professors. The impact of absences on the final grade is as follows:

Absences	Penalization
Up to one (1) absences	No penalization.
Two (2) absences	1 point subtracted from final grade (on a 10 point scale)
Three (3) absences	The student receives an INCOMPLETE for the course

The BISS attendance policy does not distinguish between justified or unjustified absences. The student is deemed responsible to manage his/her absences.

Emergency situations (hospitalization, family emergency, etc.) will be analyzed on a case by case basis by the Academic Director of the UPF Barcelona International Summer School.

## Classroom Norms:

- No food or drink is permitted.
- There will be a ten-minute break during the class.
- Students must come to class fully prepared.

## Course Contents:

### Week 1. Prof. Alberto Carrio

#### Session 1 The ethics of sport governance (Mo, Jul. 18)

- 1.1 Corruption and bribery in sport governing bodies.  
Salt Lake and FIFA affairs
- 1.2 Integrity in sport governance.  
The consistency of Sport Government bodies with sport values
- 1.3. Hosting macro sport events and political neutrality.  
Qatar 2020 FIFA world cup

#### Session 2 Lex sportiva. The arising of a sport legal system. (TU, Jul. 19)

- 2.1. The hierarchical structure of the Olympic Movement
- 2.2. CAS awards as an emerging sport Jurisprudence.
- 2.3. Lex loci contracts for sport stakeholders.

#### Session 3 Equality and discrimination in sport. (WD, Jul. 20)

- 3.1. Equality in competition and equality in the access to the competition.
- 3.2. Is discrimination in sport wrong?
- 3.3 The problem of categories of sport.

#### Session 4 Inclusion through sport (Thurs, Jul. 21)

- 4.1. Is compatible inclusion and competition?

- 4.2 The human side of sport competition
- 4.3. Why adapted sports?

**Session 5 The future of sports** (Fri, Jul, 22)

- 5.1. The challenge of AI to Sport.
- 5.2. The ethics of AI in Sport
- 5.3. AI in sport and Athletes' rights.
- 5.4. The future sports.

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**Session 6 What's Wrong with Doping?** (Wed, Jul, 22)

- 6.1. Doping: Against natural lottery.
- 6.2. And now: genetic doping
- 6.3. And soon: neurodoping.

**Session 7 A new paradigm in sport** (Thu, Jul. 23)

- 7.1. Cyborgs go to play.
- 7.2. And the robots, too
- 7.3. Will we need a technological fair play?.

**Session 8 Sport, War, Religion and Nationalism** (Wed, Jul. 22)

- 8.1. Sport as a miniaturized war.
- 8.2. Of gods and heroes
- 8.3. The construction of nations from sport.

**Session 9 New frameworks, but justice?** (Fri, Jul. 24)

- 9.1. VAR, old questions, new problems.
- 9.2. Penalties and shoutouts: from chance to science
- 9.3. Big Data: less intuition, more effectiveness?

**Session 10 Spoiling the game** (Fri, Jul. 24)

- 10.1. Violence in the pitch
- 10.2. Violence in the stands
- 10.3. From classical match-fixing to illegal bettings

**Required Readings:** The professor will assemble a coursepack/or indicate mandatory textbooks.

**Recommended bibliography:**

Students are encouraged to consult the following sources on their own.

Morgan, W.J. and Meier, K.v. (Eds.). *Philosophic Inquiry in Sport*, 2nd ed. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics

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Carrio, A. y Pérez Triviño J.L. *Deporte, Derecho y Filosofía*, Fontamara, México, 2021

Duval, A The Olympic Charter: A Transnational Constitution Without a State? *Journal of Law and Society* Vol 45, Issue S1, July 2018 ISSN: 0263-323X, pp. 245-269

Michiel Fierens, Jan De Bruyne (2020), *Artificial Intelligence In Sports – The Legal And Ethical Issues At Play*. *Law in Sport*, August 2020

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