

Eligibility Outline

SIRC Research Award

The SIRC Research Award recognizes outstanding sport research that benefits the Canadian sporting community. SIRC invites Canadian researchers to submit sport related original research papers in consideration for the 2012 SIRC Research Award.

This year, the 2012 SIRC Research Award has two categories. Your submission must fall into one of these two categories.

The social impact of sport on the community:

This category contains research in four broad areas;

- social, cultural, and/or economic benefits of sport
- health and wellness
- participation
- education and life long learning

The impact of applied research on athletic excellence / high performance:

This category contains research in four key areas of study;

- Sport Psychology
- Sport Physiology
- Sports Medicine
- Kinesiology

The Award*:

Winners receive \$2,000, a SIRC Membership, media coverage, inclusion in the SIRC Collection and international exposure to the sport and academic community through SIRC's publishing channels.

Eligibility:

- The applicant must be a Canadian citizen currently associated with a Canadian University or degree granting institution.
- You must submit original research that has not been previously published.
- Your paper must be written in English or French.
- Your paper must be a minimum of 2500 words and up to a maximum of 4000 words (excluding references).
- Your research must be relevant and benefit the Canadian sporting community.

Review Process:

Candidate's abstracts will be initially screened by members of SIRC (or a representative group).

Abstracts will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Abstract content
- The results of long-term impact of the paper on the Canadian sporting community.

The review criteria for the paper are:

1. Relevance/significance of topic to sport, fitness or sport science in Canada
2. Relevant literature
3. Clarity of conceptual framework /appropriate methodology
4. The value to the Canadian sport system

All criteria will be evaluated on a 5-point scale (1 = poor, 5 = excellent). Judges are selected nationally and are considered experts in various areas of study within sport.

