The Cook Islands Campus of the University of the South Pacific (USP), with the support of major sponsors and partners, including the School of Sport and Exercise Science at Victoria University (Australia), is to host the second biennial international sports studies conference in the Pacific region.

Papers from the fields of sport — tourism, history, education, management, philosophy, law, business and comparative studies — are invited. Postgraduate student presentations are especially encouraged.

The broad theme of the conference is ‘Sport and the Pacific Region: Cross-Cultural Currents’, although papers dealing with more specific themes and topics are welcome. It is anticipated that papers from the conference will be published in an edited anthology.

Potential delegates, presenters and sponsors should access the conference website at http://www.staff.vu.edu.au/RobHess/news.htm. Queries from local (Pacific Island) delegates should be directed to Andrew Minogue at pacificgamescouncil@nc2011.nc. Queries from international (outside the Pacific region) delegates should be directed to Rob Hess at Robert.Hess@vu.edu.au.

The deadline for abstracts is 4 September 2009.