

On behalf of my co-editors, I am delighted to announce the publication of the inaugural issue of the peer-reviewed Journal - *Laws of the Game*.

As the Editor-in-Chief, there are plenty of things that delights me about introducing a concept that was two years in the making. The Journal is a platform for students to be able to publish their articles on various aspects within Sports Law. Whether you wish to pursue a career in academia or hope to secure a training contract; having a list of official publications under your name will immensely improve your opportunities of being recruited. I saw the benefits myself after being interviewed at a hugely successfully firm in Central London just based on my connection with the Journal!

Interestingly, my area of expertise is not specifically Sports Law related. I have recently completed my masters, graduating with a Distinction in Health Care Law and Ethics. However given that negligence forms a huge part of Sports Law, I subsequently chose to study two Sports Law modules as part of my masters namely; Sports and the Individual and The Commercial Regulation of Sports. I can honestly say that through the whole of my academic life, never have I done modules that are so stimulating! Usually Universities test their students through exams and assignments. I will leave it at this when I say that Associate Professor Kris Lines likes to do things differently...

Alongside my masters, I have enjoyed my time as the Editor-in-Chief for a Peer Reviewed Journal directed by Associate Professor Kris Lines. I have enjoyed working for a dedicated academic in their field of study and I have learnt a great deal under his tutelage. However now that I have finished my masters it is time for me to move on and therefore I look forward in welcoming the new Editor-in-Chief in September.

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