

# Global School of Sports Ministry

## Introduction

The staff and the administration of Global School of Sports Ministry are pleased to introduce Global's premier distance training program for those interested in becoming sports ministers.

The classes are being offered via e-mail or by post if a computer is not available to the prospective student.

This comprehensive training program is open to all individuals 18 years of age and above. Applicants must be born-again dedicated followers of Christ, have a servant-like spirit, a strong desire to share the Good News with those who are lost and a willingness to work through a local evangelical church.

The 18-month course is all about evangelism and discipleship using sports as a vehicle to accomplish this goal.

A wide range of topics are covered in Global's curriculum. Subjects include a historical perspective, principles, strategies, methods and techniques of sports ministry, how to construct and launch a sports ministry program, a review of creative games and sports activities requiring little or no equipment, organizing leagues, tournaments and outreach programs, working with traumatized youth and adults, counseling techniques, developing self-sustaining programs, discipleship, and much more.

In addition, a new component has been added to our training program that will allow for some "hands-on" experiences that will be supervised by our GSSM staff. This practicum will help reinforce many of the principles being presented in our text.

Global School of Sports Ministry was founded by Russ Carr, a former professor of education, university soccer coach, athletic director and for the past 30 years one who has worked in Africa and other parts of the world developing numerous outreach programs using sports as a vehicle to share the gospel. Until his recent resignation, Carr was the president of Sports Outreach Institute, an organization which he founded in 1987.

Working with Carr is his daughter and GSSM Executive Director, Alyssa Carr Mahone, who has 21 years of sports ministry experience. Working alongside Alyssa is our team of GSSM staff members, volunteer university professors, teachers, pastors, counselors, and others who will work diligently to provide each student with the kind of preparation and attention needed to serve Christ in this unique way.

A completed Application Form and Letter of Intent is included in this packet. If you desire additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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