

Invited Seminar

Deciphering the Coaches' Eye in Combat Sports: Identifying Talent in Combat Sports

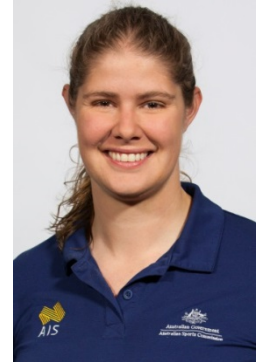
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After completing degrees in Exercise Science and Exercise Physiology in the United States, Alex is now working on her PhD with [Edith Cowan University](#) (Western Australia) and the [Australian Institute of Sport](#). Her research interests lie in the field of skill acquisition, specifically related to coach education and developing optimal learning environments for skills and decision making.



Alex's PhD research is aiming to better understand how coaches use their experiential knowledge to identify talent within combat sports. By examining talent identification practices internationally, she aims to explore the most effective ways to identify future elite athletes. This research allows for more transparent, effective and efficient talent identification practices and policies within combat sports, and ultimately allow for greater levels of international success.

In doing so she has interviewed 24 international level Olympic Combat Sport coaches from 11 countries about the ways in which they identify talent. In this invited seminar she will be present and discuss the results of these interviews, and their implications for future research in combat sports and talent identification.

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[Faculty of Behavioural and Movement Sciences](#)

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