

LAUNCH OF AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR OLYMPIC STUDIES

The official launch of the Australian Centre for Olympic Studies (ACOS) took place on Thursday 6th October 2005, and was held at the UTS Kuring-gai Campus Library.

Ms Helen Brownlee, Australian Olympic Committee member, performed the Opening Ceremony. The event included a handover ceremony of signed contracts between the Australian Olympic Committee and UTS, to cover a period of three years.



Helen Brownlee, AOC Member



Prof Rob Lynch, ACOS Director Prof Richard Cashman, Prof Kristine Toohey and Helen Brownlee

ACOS is a national research centre for Olympic studies, and its activities will include the:

- organisation of a biennial Olympic conference;
- production of an annual electronic publication of Olympic research, publications and activities within Australia;
- hosting of the biennial NSW Olympic Academy;
- inclusion of additional material for the Olympic Studies Room;
- publication of Olympic research and its dissemination through teaching;
- maintenance of an Olympic website



Olympic Studies Room



Dr Alex Byrne, Prof Kristine Toohey and Prof Richard Cashman with an Olympic Cauldron

Following the launch, University Librarian Dr Alex Byrne conducted a formal opening of the Olympic Studies Room in the UTS Library. ACOS has acquired documents and publications from the Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG) relating to the Sydney Olympic and Paralympic Games and material donated from individuals, including Australian IOC member Mr Phil Coles. This material is available for private study in the Olympic Studies Room at the Kuring-gai Campus Library.

For further information visit the ACOS website: www.business.uts.edu.au/olympic/