

## DR. EUGENE W. ANDERSON (1932-1997)

Dr. Eugene W. Anderson was Professor and Chair of the Department of Exercise, Sport and Health Studies at The University of Texas at Arlington from 1978-1994. At the time of his death, Dr. Anderson was in the cherished position of a modified service-retired Professor (50% employment) in his 19th year in our Exercise, Sport and Health Studies department. His professional career of over 40 years included service as an assistant vice-president for academic affairs, university department chair, college coach, high school instructor and high school coach.

Eugene W. Anderson received his Bachelor of Science in Physical Education in 1954 and the Master of Science in 1959 from Fort Hays State University in Kansas. He received the Doctorate in Education in Physical Education from Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona in 1970.

Dr. Anderson's Sport Performance career began with the Kinsley, Kansas Coyotes where he participated in four years each of football, basketball and track. He continued in the athletic world at Fort Hays State University by participating in football (one year), basketball and track where he finished fourth in the high jump at the NAIA National Meet. After serving two years in the United States Army in Fort Bliss, Texas, Dr. Anderson taught history, health, drivers' education, boys and girls physical education and coached the Wildcats in Hanover, Kansas. He then was a high school instructor of history and coached football, basketball and track for two years in Hays, Kansas. Upon the completion of his Masters' Degree, he was employed at Olivet College in Olivet, Michigan from 1960-64 as an assistant professor of physical education and assistant football coach, head basketball coach and golf coach. He then became an assistant professor of physical education and basketball coach at Chico State College in Chico, California (1964-68). In 1968, Dr. Anderson became Chair of the Physical Education Program and subsequently in 1972, Professor and Chair of the Division of Health, Physical Education and Athletics at Southwest State University in Marshall, Minnesota. In 1977-78, he was the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs at the same institution.

Dr. Anderson was very prominent in the development of our current Exercise, Sport and Health Studies academic program. During his tenure at UTA, the Health Education and Dance minors were developed. The Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science degree was started for students in the Allied Health Sciences. The physical education-athletic coaching degrees, along with certification for teaching K-12 were shaped and refined. Dr. Anderson's expertise and appreciation for science in sport and performance created the popular Biophysical Principles of Human Movement class (there are currently two lecture and five laboratory sections per semester). His understanding of the acquisition of motor skills dramatically influenced the pedagogy curriculum. His experiences in sport and coaching directly impacted the departmental performance curriculum. Perhaps Dr. Anderson's most intense interest, in addition to curriculum, was in how the curriculum affected facility development. In the 1981-85 academic years, he gave numerous hours to the planning of an educational facility for our ESHS academic unit. The facilities' blueprint included numerous laboratories, classrooms, learning centers, student, faculty and activity areas that would have provided an educational setting that would be comparable to the academic program he helped create. The facilities' plans continue to be a model for our departmental future.



# The Department of Kinesiology

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## The 7th Anderson Sport Performance Lecture

With

**Dr. Peter G. Snell**

**Assistant Professor**

**The Department of Internal Medicine (Cardiology Division)**

**Director of the Human Performance Laboratory**

**UT Southwestern Medical Center**

**“Watch Sports Rather than Playing: A Challenge  
for Physical Education in the New Millennium”**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2001 – 12:00 Noon**

**Lone Star Auditorium**

**Activities Building**

## THE ANDERSON SPORT PERFORMANCE LECTURE

### Overview:

The curriculum of the Department of Kinesiology includes the study and practice of sport. It is clearly understood that sport is a significant element of our culture and that it is conducted in a variety of settings and for a variety of purposes. Therefore, this lecture is established to provide all interested individuals an opportunity to broaden their understanding of this culture phenomenon.

### Purposes:

1. This activity is designed to supplement the department's educational mission through presentations and interactions with significant professionals from various areas of the sport culture.
2. This activity is designed to recognize significant professionals from the area who are making contributions to our sport culture and can provide different perspectives relative to sport performance.
3. This activity is designed to develop more interaction with sport enterprise outside the department and the university.

### Previous Anderson Sport Performance Lectures:

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Fall 1996	Mark Holtz, B.A., Texas Rangers Baseball Club. "The Media Perspective in Sport"
Spring 1997	David Cook, Ph.D. President of Mental Advantage, Inc. "The Mind Set of a Champion "
Fall 1997	Don Kyle, Ph.D., UT -Arlington History Department. "The Pentathlon at the Ancient Greek Olympics: Performance and Problems"
Spring 1998	Abu B. Yilla, Ph.D., UT-Arlington, Exercise, Sport & Health Studies Department. "The Evolution of the High Performance Sport Chair"
Fall 1998	William P. Morgan, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison. "The Role of Hypnosis in Exercise and Sport Science"
Spring 1999	Mark A. Thompson, Ph.D., University of Kansas. "Finding the Good: Psychological Skills for Coping in Sport and Life"

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## Peter G. Snell, Ph.D.

Peter Snell is assistant professor in the department of Internal Medicine (Cardiology Division) and director of the Human performance Laboratory at UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas. He has the Bachelor of Science in Human Performance from the University of California at Davis and the Ph.D. in Exercise Physiology from Washington State University. Dr. Snell had a post-doctorate fellowship at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. He also had a sabbatical study in the Department of Ergonomics at Loughborough University of Technology in England. He is the author of many publications on exercise and is currently joint recipient of a grant from the National Heart Lung & Blood Institute to study ways in which physicians can more effectively motivate patients to increase their level of physical activity. His main research has focused on understanding how the body adapts to exercise training and the relevance of this process for both athletic performance and health, particularly for the prevention of heart disease.

Originally from New Zealand, Dr. Snell has lived in the United States for 25 years, 18 of which have been in Dallas.

Prior to his career as a scientist he was an athlete, winning three gold medals in the 1960 and 1964 Olympic games in 800 meters and 1500 meters running events and two gold medals in the British Commonwealth Games at these distances in 1962. In addition he set seven world records including the one mile (3:54.1), which he held from 1962 to 1965 and 800 meters (1:44.3) from 1962 to 1972. This year he was inducted into the International Scholar-athlete Hall of Fame at the University of Rhode Island, in an inaugural class of 18.

### Athletic History:

#### Olympic and British Commonwealth Games

- 1960 Olympic Games, Rome - Gold medallist 800 meters (1:46.3)
- 1962 British Commonwealth Games, Perth - Gold medallist 880 yards & 1 mile
- 1964 Olympic Games, Tokyo - Gold medallist 800 (1:45.1) & 1500 meters (3:38.2)

#### World Records

- 1961 4 x 1 mile relay, Dublin, 16:23.8
- 1962 1 mile, Wanganui, N.Z., 3:54.4
- 800 meters & 880 yards (same race), Christchurch, 1:44.3 & 1:45.1
- 1000 yards indoor, Los Angeles, 2:6
- 880 yards indoor, Tokyo, 1:49.9
- 1964 1000 meters, Auckland, 2:16.8
- 1 mile, Auckland, 3:54.1