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## **Binding Memorial lecturer to focus on home-field advantage in sports**

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WATERLOO – A world-renowned authority on group dynamics in sports will discuss the impact of home advantage in sport competitions at this year's Dr. Fred Binding Memorial Lecture at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Dr. Albert Carron of the University of Western Ontario's School of Kinesiology will deliver the lecture in Laurier's Senate and Board Chamber on Monday, March 26, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Carron's research focuses on group dynamics in sport teams and exercise groups. His work has led to a number of awards, including the Sport Science Award of the International Olympic Committee President for outstanding research contributions to the sport sciences.

"Teams often feel they have a better chance of winning when playing on their home turf," said Jill Tracey, assistant professor of kinesiology and physical education at Laurier and organizer of the lecture. "Dr. Carron has completed significant research on the home advantage in competitions and how it affects players on both teams."

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Dr. Carron is a past president of the Canadian Association for Sport Sciences and a former member of the board of directors of the Sports Medicine Council of Canada. He is a current member of the editorial boards of the Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology and the International Journal of Sport Psychology.

The Dr. Fred Binding Memorial Lecture series is an endowed annual event held in memory of Fred Binding, a long-time Laurier faculty member with the Department of Psychology who taught a course in sport psychology, a passionate subject for him. The series is administered and organized by the Department of Kinesiology & Physical Education and each year features an internationally known professor and researcher who lectures on topics related to sport psychology.