



Sydney Uni
SPORT & FITNESS

ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

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INFORMATION BOOKLET FOR 2020 ENTRY



INTRODUCTION

Excellence in sport is integral to Sydney University's rich history and diverse identity. From intervarsity to international-level sport; Sydney University is well-represented in the winner's circle. Since 1990, Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF) has supported Sydney University's student athletes with sporting scholarships to enable them to excel in their sport and studies.

Pursuing excellence in sport and studies simultaneously can be especially challenging. However, with access to the benefits and services of our Elite Athlete Program through a sporting scholarship, you **CAN** realise your potential.

Want to join a distinguished group of graduates, who are leaders both on AND off the sporting field?

Then you NEED to be with Sydney University.

Sydney University's Best



Lara McSpadden

Basketball

Bachelor of Education
(Health and Physical Education)



Guy Porter

Rugby

Bachelor of Commerce
and Bachelor of Laws



Nicola McDermott

Athletics

Bachelor of Science



Simon McTavish

Canoe

Bachelor of Project Management



James Matheson

Snowsports

Bachelor of Commerce



Wallis Russell

Rowing

Bachelor of Pharmacy



Darcy Baron-Hay

Australian Rules Football

Bachelor of Commerce
(Liberal Studies)



Clare Wheeler

Soccer

Bachelor of Commerce

TESTIMONIALS

Hannah Buckling (Water Polo) – 2016 Summer Olympian

Doctor of Medicine

The Sydney University Elite Athlete Program does an extraordinary job in its ability to assist student-athletes in balancing their sporting and study commitments. From a personal perspective, the Programme has helped me through both my Bachelor of Science and the first two years of my Doctor of Medicine, whilst also allowing me to compete in international and Olympic level water polo. Finding the balance between these commitments has been extremely difficult, but the support of the EAP has been critical in enabling to reach my goals in both aspects of my life. Notwithstanding the significant challenges that being a student-athlete poses, it is extremely rewarding and the excellent facilities, support and culture provided by the EAP have made absolutely invaluable contributions to my success in my journey over the last 10 years.

Tomas Roberston (Rugby) – Current NSW Waratah

Master of Public Health

The EAP was one of the most helpful resources I have had in juggling my sport and academic careers. As they have done for many other sports people from many other sports the EAP has played a crucial role in taking care of matters off the field so we can focus on what matters on the field. The support athletes get from the EAP is priceless and cannot be overvalued from both a playing and academic standpoint. In one year I had 27 special consideration applications accepted due to the help of the EAP, that is just one small example of how much I have been helped by the EAP.

Michelle Jenneke (Athletics) – 2016 Summer Olympian

Bachelor of Engineering (Mechatronics)

I am fortunate enough to have been supported by the Sydney University Elite Athlete program for the past 5 years while completing an engineering degree and competing for Australia all across the globe. The EAP has helped me tremendously over this period providing world class training facilities, tutoring services and advocating on my behalf to my uni lecturers when required just to name a few. Training full time and competing internationally while studying can be a challenge and the EAP has done everything in their power to make it as easy as possible for me. The staff have always been supportive and encouraging towards me in everything I have done and I cannot thank them enough.



Hannah Buckling



Tomas Roberston



Michelle Jenneke

BENEFITS & SERVICES



Christian Kyriakou



Carmen Marton



Hayden Kerr



Jillian Colebourn

Elite Athlete Program members may receive:

Academic Advice & Advocacy

Elite Athlete Program staff, in conjunction with university academic and administrative staff, work closely with members to provide knowledgeable advice across several areas including, study load, effective study skills and degree and subject choice. Importantly, guidance and representation may be available for members when flexibility is needed for university attendance and assessment tasks.

Career Services

With the support of the Elite Athlete Program staff and our distinguished community of alumni and friends, members may access mentoring, internship and employment opportunities, or assistance with negotiating degree and career direction.

Tutoring

Limited complimentary tutoring is offered to members across a broad range of subjects. This service is helpful for those experiencing difficulties with unit of study content or who have missed classes due to sporting commitments.

Financial Assistance

Financial support from \$1,000 per annum may be provided to help with subsidising expenses related to studying (e.g. tuition fees and textbooks) and sport (e.g. sporting equipment). Allotments offered, may in some instances, be 'topped-up' by scholarship partners, such as Sydney University's residential colleges and The University of Sydney Business School.

International Travel Grants

To assist with alleviating the costs of international travel and competition, up to \$1,500 per annum may be awarded to students of The University of Sydney when they are selected to represent Australia in recognised sporting competitions overseas.

Chaplaincy

Regardless of faith or creed, members may access pastoral care and support when dealing with life issues, including grief and critical incidents. Our chaplains are the 'go to' people for general assistance and reliable referrals to services such as counselling and personal development.

SUSF Facilities

Members may receive complimentary access to a range of quality sporting facilities. This includes: state-of-the-art high performance facilities in the new TAG Family Foundation Grandstand; cardio and weights at the Arena Sports Centre; and a 50m indoor heated pool at the University Sports & Aquatic Centre. Access to sport-specific facilities (e.g. boxing gym, tennis courts, etc.), as well as group fitness classes, may be granted on approved request.

High Performance Services

To assist with reaching their athletic performance goals, members may access professional and convenient high performance services including:

- Strength and conditioning
- Sports dietetics
- Sports performance psychology

Discounted Rates on Sports Medicine Services

At The Sports Clinic located on the University's main campus, members may receive concessions on often-needed services such as: physiotherapy; podiatry; remedial massage; and acupuncture.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What is expected of sporting scholarship holders?

Amongst other expectations, Elite Athlete Program members are obligated to:

- Undertake tertiary level studies at an Australian University, preferably The University of Sydney
- Represent Sydney University in their sport.

Are sporting scholarships available to international students?

Yes. Domestic and international student athletes are welcome.

Can I study part-time?

Typically, sporting scholarships are awarded regardless of the study load you choose. However, certain scholarships do imply a minimum study load, in which case we will advise you accordingly. We encourage all prospective members to check that part-time study is offered for their particular degree program by contacting their relevant university.

How long does a sporting scholarship run for?

Support is usually provided for one year at a time, with commencement dependent on your sport. If your sport is athletics, cricket, or water polo; your scholarship will run according to the financial year rather than the calendar year. Current members who wish to be considered for support in subsequent years must reapply each year.

When should I apply?

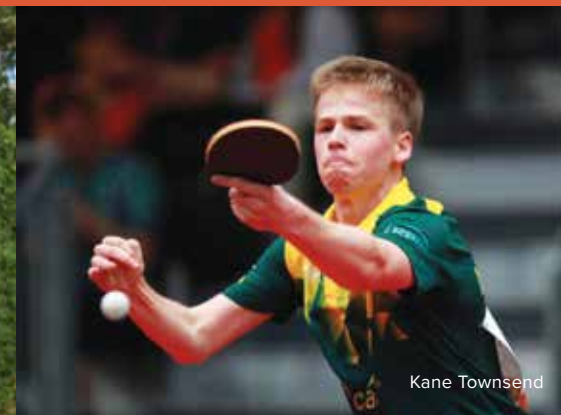
See page 10 for key application dates.

Where your sport is athletics, cricket, or water polo and you want to apply for support for the first half of the calendar year (before the usual commencement time of scholarships for these sports), you may be awarded a scholarship for this period in certain circumstances. We advise you to contact us before you apply.

How much financial support will I receive?

How much money you may be awarded as part of your scholarship package will depend on a range of factors including, but not limited to, your recent sporting achievements and academic performance.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY'S ELITE ATHLETES & PERFORMERS ALTERNATIVE ENTRY SCHEME



THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

The University of Sydney offer several alternate entry schemes to students for a variety of reasons. Domestic students looking to gain admission to study at the University who are Elite Athletes are encouraged to apply for the Elite Athlete and Performers Scheme.

This Scheme is awarded to elite student athletes who can successfully demonstrate that they are in fact, an elite level athlete AND that their concurrent sporting endeavours have adversely impacted on their academic performance across their year 12 or equivalent year of study.

Should an athlete be successfully granted concessional points, they may be considered for admission to a course with an ATAR up to five (5) points below the guaranteed ATAR for that course.

For further information, please visit the University of Sydney Website on Admission Pathways

IMPORTANT

Please note that applying for and/or receiving a sporting scholarship offer (and membership to the Elite Athlete Program) does **NOT**, under any circumstance, equate to applying for and/or receiving an offer of admission to study at The University of Sydney.

You must gain entry to study at The University of Sydney on your own academic merit.

All enquiries and/or applications for the University's Elite Athletes & Performers Alternative Entry Scheme should be directed to the University on 1800 SYD UNI (1800 793 864).



APPLICATIONS



Shute Shield Championship



Australian Boat Race Championship

To apply for a sporting scholarship/membership to the Elite Athlete Program, please follow the procedures below.



Key dates

There is ONE application period for all sports. Please see dates below. Late applications will be accepted for 2 WEEKS ONLY from the on-time application closing date with additional fees applying for all late applications.

Under no circumstances will applications be accepted after the late period has ended for new or returning athletes.

On time applications and re-applications:

- OPEN Monday 2nd September 2019
- CLOSE Friday 20th December 2019

Late Applications

- CLOSE Friday 3rd January 2020
- Outcomes of scholarship applications will be communicated towards the end of February 2020

Step 1

Visit www.susf.com.au and follow links to the Elite Athlete Program.

Step 2

Click on **Applications** and follow the instructions provided to complete and submit an online application.

FIVE BY '25



A passion for sporting success is embedded in Australia's identity. Sportspeople are our heroes – we share their journeys and understand that becoming a champion is a full-time commitment.



Elite athletes at the University of Sydney face the unique challenge of managing an intense training schedule alongside their demanding academic endeavours.



From international to intervarsity-level sport; Sydney University is well-represented in the winner's circle. The Elite Athlete Program is fundamental to this success, with a dedicated staff providing a broad suite of invaluable services so our most promising athletes can reach their potential.



With your help, our goal is to raise \$5 million by 2025 to ensure that excellence in sport and tertiary studies remains achievable.

Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness is grateful for the support of our sporting scholarship donors, sponsors and strategic partners.

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BLUES ASSOCIATION

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David & Cheryl Collins (nee Peasley) (Athletics)

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Friends of Jack Pross OAM (Athletics)

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Friends of Harvey Gordon (Australian Rules Football)

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Family and Friends of David Hynes (Baseball)

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Ralph's Cafe (Basketball)

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Family and Friends of Mick O'Sullivan (Cricket)

Friend of Mollie Dive OAM (Hockey and Cricket)

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Friends of Jane Spring (Rowing)

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Friends of Dave Chadwick (Rugby League)

Kaye Dening AM (Tennis)

Dr Ray Hyslop (Soccer)

Adam Spencer (Soccer)

Family of Warrick Segal (Soccer)

Michael Luciano (Soccer)

Friend of Elsie Harris (Women's Golf/Croquet)

BUPA x3 (Olympic Sports)

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