Information Booklet For 2021 Entry
Introduction

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

Whether it’s on the pitch, in the game, at the gym, or in the classroom, striving for excellence is a hallmark of Sydney University student athletes. However, pursuing your best in sport and studies simultaneously can be especially challenging. The right support is critical.

Since 1990, Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF) has provided sporting scholarships; our Elite Athlete Program helping over 2000 Sydney University student athletes to find balance and achieve their goals. With access to a comprehensive range of benefits and services and most importantly, the care and encouragement of our staff and community, you too can realise your potential.
Testimonials

Trent Franklin
Water Polo
B. Science, 2003
2004 Athens and 2008 Beijing Olympian

“The program provides one of the most critical support mechanisms for elite level athletes who are trying to juggle competing demands of training, performance, and study. University requirements can be difficult to juggle with sporting schedules, and the EAP staff will be your most invaluable resource to assist. They are highly experienced with providing advice, liaising with the university. I completed a Bachelor of Science while playing for the Australian Water Polo team, and it simply would not have been possible without the EAP. Further, thanks to the networking opportunities available through SU Sport, I was able to launch my own business, Enrizen Financial Group, soon after leaving university, which has enabled me to give back to the program through sponsoring an EAP Scholarship.”

Chloe Dalton
Basketball, Rugby Sevens & Australian Rules Football
B. Applied Science (Physiotherapy), 2017
2016 Rio Olympian

“During my time at the University of Sydney, I was incredibly fortunate to be a part of the Elite Athlete Program whilst I played in the WNBL for the Sydney Uni Flames, and then for the Australian Rugby 7s team. The assistance I received for the duration of my Physiotherapy degree made a huge difference in my ability to juggle sport, study and work. The EAP team helped to allow flexibility with my timetable, special considerations when I was travelling overseas for rugby during exam or assessment time, tutoring for subjects that I missed due to tournaments, as well as overall course structure and planning. The assistance of the EAP was truly invaluable and I can’t thank the team enough for their support.”

Clare Wheeler
Soccer
B. Commerce
Newcastle Jets W-League Player

“The EAP program was instrumental in making my goals more achievable. Firstly, the EAP scholarships provided the financial means allowing me to relocate to Sydney to pursue my academic and sporting endeavours. Secondly, the EAP tutoring and special consideration services ensured that my academic results were never hindered by my sporting pursuits. Additionally, EAP personnel and world-class facilities have been crucial in my growth, on and off the football field, as an athlete and as a USYD student.”
Benefits & Services

Academic Advice & Advocacy
Our staff, in conjunction with university academic and administrative staff, can provide you with knowledgeable advice and guidance across several areas. These may include: choosing the right degree and subjects; managing your study load; and how to study effectively. Importantly, guidance and representation may be available when you need flexibility with university attendance and assessment tasks.

Career Services
Our distinguished community of alumni, partners and friends can provide you with invaluable support to help build your careers. Internship/employment opportunities, mentoring and assistance with negotiating direction, are just a few of the ways in which you could benefit from this incredible support network.

Tutoring
Limited complimentary tutoring is available across a broad range of subjects. This service is helpful if you are experiencing difficulties with grasping unit of study content, or if you have missed classes due to sporting commitments.

Financial Assistance
Upwards of $500 per semester (or $1,000 per year) may be awarded to help you with covering your sport and study-related expenses (e.g. university tuition fees, textbooks and 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. Please see page 8 for further information.

International Travel Grants
Where you are a student of The University of Sydney and you are selected to represent Australia in recognised sporting competitions overseas, up to $1,500 per year may be awarded to assist you with meeting the costs of international travel and competition.

SUSF Facility Access
Access to a range of quality sporting facilities is provided on a complimentary basis. This includes: high performance training facilities in the TAG Family Foundation Grandstand; the gym at the Arena Sports Centre; and the 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. A quiet study room is also available at Arena Sports Centre.

High Performance Services
To help you with reaching your athletic performance goals, you’ll have access to professional and convenient high performance services including:
- Strength and conditioning;
- Sports dietetics; and
- Sports performance psychology.

Discounted Rates on Sports Medicine Services and Therapies
At The Sports Clinic located in the Arena Sports Centre, you may receive concessions on often-needed services such as: physiotherapy; podiatry; remedial massage; and acupuncture.

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Jack Hiscox Australian Rules Football

Alice Arnott Hockey

Hayden Kerr Cricket

James Matheson Moguls Skiing
### 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; and
- Represent Sydney University in their sport, where possible.

**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. 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.

**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.

**How do joint scholarships work?**

Partners of the Elite Athlete Program, such as The University of Sydney Business School and various residential colleges within The University of Sydney; may offer extra financial assistance to eligible sporting scholarship recipients. To be considered for such additional support, please ensure to advise us if you will be enrolling in a course administered by The University of Sydney Business School and/or whether you have applied to live in a residential college.

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### 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.

For all enquiries about the University’s Elite Athletes & Performers Scheme, please visit: [www.sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/admission-pathways.html](http://www.sydney.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/admission-pathways.html)
To apply for a sporting scholarship/membership to the Elite Athlete Program, please follow the procedures below.


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

Key dates
Applications and re-applications
- OPEN Monday 7 September 2020
- CLOSE Friday 18 December 2020

Application fees apply
Outcomes of scholarship applications will be communicated towards the end of February 2021

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 concurrently pursuing tertiary studies face the unique challenge of managing intense training, competition and travel schedules alongside their demanding academic endeavours.

From international to intervarsity-level sport; Sydney University is well-represented in the winner’s circle. Supporting our most promising student athletes with sporting scholarships and the Elite Athlete Program is fundamental to this success.

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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