



**Sydney Uni**  
SPORT & FITNESS

# ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

Est. 1990

**INFORMATION BOOKLET  
FOR 2019 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



**Belinda Snell**  
**Basketball**

Graduate Certificate in Education Studies



**Hannah Buckling**  
**Water Polo**

Doctor of Medicine



**Michelle Jenneke**  
**Athletics**

Bachelor of Engineering (Mechatronics)



**Holly Crawford**  
**Snowsports**

Master of Project Management



**Tomas Robertson**  
**Rugby**

Master of Public Health



**Cameron Girdlestone**  
**Rowing**

Bachelor of Education (Secondary;  
Human Movement & Health Education)



**Clare Wheeler**  
**Soccer**

Bachelor of Commerce



**Xavier Richards**  
**Australian Rules Football**

Graduate Certificate in Commerce

# TESTIMONIALS

## **Madii Himbury (Snowsports) - 2018 Winter Olympian**

*Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise/Sport Science)*

Sydney Uni's Elite Athlete Program has helped me succeed in both my academic and sporting endeavours. As a winter sport athlete I spend most the year travelling and without the help of the EAP, I would be unable to balance my commitments. Of the many resources the EAP provides, I highly value the tutoring support which enables me to complete the practical components of my degree.

## **Anneliese Rubie (Athletics) - 2016 Summer Olympian**

*Bachelor of Arts (2017)*

The Sydney University Elite Athlete Program has been with me every step of the way throughout my degree. Competing internationally for months on end whilst trying to complete a degree can be challenging to say the least, but with the EAP's support and assistance, I've been able to achieve all of my goals as a student and athlete, and actually enjoyed the process too. The training facilities on campus are world class, the EAP staff are an endless source of encouragement and support, and the elite team culture that Sydney University Athletics Club and SUSF has taught me will stay with me for years to come.

## **Nicholas Phipps (Rugby) - Current Wallaby and NSW Waratah**

*Master of International Business*

Being a member of the Elite Athlete Program has been about having the support and structures in place to continue my studies at one of the best universities in the world. Having this sort of support has been crucial in providing me the chance to achieve my dreams in the classroom and on the field. The EAP and facilities are world class across all disciplines and gives you the best opportunity to train at professional standards.



Madii Himbury



Anneliese Rubie



Nicholas Phipps

# BENEFITS & SERVICES



Amar Hadid and Mikey Mendoza



Chloe Dalton



Ed Cowan



Greta Hayes

## 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 a designated Academic Counsellor, CareerHQ 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, preferably at The University of Sydney; and
- 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



Tom Young



Enid Sung



THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

An alternative entry scheme is offered by The University of Sydney to assist school-leavers with gaining admission to study at the University (for domestic applicants seeking places in certain undergraduate courses only).

Suitable applicants are those who were elite athletes or performers and had training, competitive and/or practice commitments that significantly affected their academic performance in their HSC (or equivalent) year. A successful application may allow you to gain admission to a course with an ATAR of up to five points below the usual cutoff.

## IMPORTANT

Please note that applying for and/or receiving an offer of sporting scholarship (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).



Nicholas Hough



Katie Ebzery

# APPLICATIONS



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Brydens Sydney Uni Flames 2016/17 WNBL Premiers



The Elite Athlete Program is able to assist Sydney University's student athletes in their pursuit of excellence in sport and tertiary studies due to the tremendous generosity of The University of Sydney and several sporting scholarship donors, sponsors and partners.

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



## Key dates

There are two on-time scholarship application periods each year. Please apply in the period relevant to your sport.

Late fees apply to applications received outside of the on-time application periods.

### Athletics, Cricket and Water Polo

On-time applications and re-applications:

- OPEN on the first Monday in May
- CLOSE on 31 May

### All Other Sports

On-time applications and re-applications:

- OPEN on the first Monday in September
- CLOSE on Christmas Eve (24 December)

### Step 1

Visit [www.susf.com.au](http://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.

Help us ensure that excellence in sport and tertiary studies remains achievable for Sydney University's athletes and sporting clubs.

## OUR GOAL? \$5 MILLION BY 2025

To donate, or learn more about how you can lend a hand, please visit our website or contact:

University of Sydney Sports Foundation

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