



Terms and Conditions for Sport Scholarships

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1. Scope

- 1.1 These terms and conditions apply to the University of Bath's sport scholarships financial support framework for prospective and current students. These guidelines do not cover financial support made under any other University schemes or government loan or grant frameworks. All of our awards have eligibility and continuation criteria that must be met and this document outlines the full terms and conditions of the awards. You should read these terms and conditions before you submit your application.
- 1.2 Awards are allocated on an annual basis, and you must submit an application for that year of study. If you defer or withdraw and restart, any award already offered or applied for will become void. If eligible, you will have to re-apply to be considered for support the following year, but this will be subject to the terms and conditions of the available sports scholarships.

2. Terminology

- 2.1 A **scholarship** is a non-repayable cash award. Scholarships are paid in instalments and there are no restrictions on how you spend any award. Scholarships come from a variety of sources and are mainly funded through the generosity of alumni, corporate partners and other donors.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 Our sport scholarship schemes have specific eligibility criteria and usually involve an element of academic and sporting merit and in some cases, also household income. Any household income related Sports Scholarship awards are based on your student loans household income assessment. All eligibility criteria are set out in this document.
- 3.2 If you join the University and are transferring directly into Year 2 or 3 of your studies, then you can apply for a sport scholarship if you meet the eligibility criteria.
- 3.3 Students who are unsuccessful in their application to receive a sport scholarship will have the opportunity to re-apply in each year of their undergraduate or postgraduate course if they meet the eligibility criteria.

4. Application and Selection

- 4.1 Scholarships will only be awarded to applicants who meet the eligibility criteria at the time of allocation. However, sports scholarships are highly competitive, discretionary and limited in number so even if you meet all of the criteria your application may not be successful.
- 4.2 You must complete the sports scholarship application form before the deadline if you wish to be considered for an award. Applications are made via the [Team Bath](#) Sport Scholarships home page. Awards cannot be claimed retrospectively.
- 4.3 Information on application opening and closing dates can be found on the Sport Scholarships home page.
- 4.4 It is also the responsibility of applicants to ensure that you respond to any requests for additional information which may be required as part of your scholarship application or your application to study at the University of Bath.

- 4.5 Candidates will be selected for an award based on the eligibility criteria, supporting statements within the application and any other selection methods that may be used e.g., interviews, auditions, or assessment centres, as appropriate.
- 4.6 The University reserves the right to alter its allocation schedule.
- 4.7 The University cannot be responsible for any errors, omissions or delays in the information supplied to it and on which eligibility decisions are based. All award decisions are made at the University's discretion. The University's decision on the interpretation of eligibility criteria is final and there is no right of appeal.
- 4.8 The University and/or corporate partners will select the scholars it deems to be the most deserving in its sole discretion. Our/their decision in this respect is final and there is no right of appeal.
- 4.9 There will be a panel process to support the University's selection of applicants.
- 4.10 Both successful and unsuccessful applicants who reach the panel stage will be emailed the outcome of their application after the panel has met.

5. General Conditions

- 5.1 All scholars will be required to comply with the Team Bath Athlete Agreement and the Team Bath Athlete Code of Conduct.
- 5.2 Successful candidates will need to:
- 5.2.1 provide a letter of introduction addressed to their donor in accordance with guidance provided by the Department of Development and Alumni Relations.
 - 5.2.2 Attend a Scholar Welcome session in the first semester and the Scholar reception in the second semester.
 - 5.2.3 Provide a progress report at the end of each academic year, which will be shared with their donor to update them on the scholar's time at the University of Bath. Providing this report is a prerequisite for future payments. Scholars will be prompted to provide this towards the end of the second semester.
 - 5.2.4 Attend a sport scholars photo-shoot with the Team Bath Marketing and Communications department for the University and Team Bath website and newsletter.
- 5.3 For scholarships where household income is a consideration, we will liaise with the Admissions and Funding team to check that applicant's assessed household income, as shared with the University by their student loans awarding agency, is within the threshold for bursary and scholarship purposes. They will not divulge what the actual applicant's income is and only confirm if it meets the eligibility requirements. We can only accept the household income data that is shared with us from the Student Loans Company.
- 5.4 Applicants who did not apply to their student loans awarding agency to be income assessed will not be eligible for scholarships where household income forms part of the criteria.
- 5.5 An award will not be taken away if your household income eligibility changes in any subsequent year e.g., there will not be any routine reassessment of household income year-to-year.

6. Bill Whiteley Sport Scholarship

The Bill Whiteley Sport Scholarship (one available)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £5000 per annum for up to four years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Bill Whiteley Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate degree course of at least three years duration in the School of Management, Faculty of Engineering & Design, Faculty of Science or Department of Economics
- be a first-year undergraduate
- currently be recognised as an elite athlete within any sport and evidence this within your scholarship application form
- have the ability to represent the University, contribute to and/or win University National titles and have the potential to make a positive impact on the University's sports standing
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

7. Ivor Powell Sport Scholarship

Ivor Powell Sports Scholarship (one available*)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2000 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Ivor Powell Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

**Awarded when donations to the Ivor Powell Scholarship Fund reach a level to commit for a 3-year period*

8. Santander Sport Scholarship

Santander Sport Scholarship (one available)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2000 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Santander Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible University of Bath student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have the ability to become, or currently be recognised as, an elite international athlete within any sport and evidence this within the scholarship application form
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

Priority will be given to students with a household income of £42,875 or below and/or those that can provide evidence of widening participation measures that cannot be collected through external sources via the supporting statement.

9. Thompson Education Trust Sport Scholarship

Thompson Education Trust Sport Scholarship (one available every 3 years)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2500 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Thompson Education Trust Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate degree course or postgraduate degree course in the Faculty of Science or Department for Health
- currently compete at junior international level or above in any sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

**Priority will be given to students with a household income of £42,875 or below.*

10. Trendell Sport Scholarship

Trendell Sport Scholarship (one available)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2500 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Trendell Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

**Priority will be given to students with a household income of £42,875 or below.*

11. Matrix Sport Scholarship

Matrix Sport Scholarship (one available every 3 years)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £1000 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Matrix Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

12. Lewis Sport Scholarship

Lewis Sport Scholarship (one available every 3 years)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2000 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Lewis Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

**Priority will be given to students with a household income of £42,875 or below*

13. Buchan Jones Sport Scholarship

Buchan Jones Sport Scholarship (one available every 3 years)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £2500 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Buchan Jones Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

14. Goldsmith Sport Scholarship

Goldsmith Sport Scholarship (one available every 3 years)

The successful applicant will receive:

- £1250 per annum for up to three years of study

Recipients studying part-time will be paid pro-rata (i.e., if they complete one full-time academic year of study over two years, they will receive half the scholarship each year).

No scholarship is payable during a placement period.

Eligibility criteria for the Goldsmith Sport Scholarship (campus-based courses)

If you wish to be considered for this scholarship you MUST meet the following criteria:

- be an eligible UK student
- be registered on a full-time, **campus-based** undergraduate, postgraduate or foundation/Hons top-up degree course
- have elite performance potential and compete in one of the following sports: athletics, badminton, football, hockey, judo, netball, rugby, swimming or tennis OR be competing at an elite level in another sport
- have the ability to represent the University and contribute to and/or win University National titles
- have a recommendation from a University of Bath coach, home coach or NGB official/coach (applications which only state a coach's email without a full supporting statement may not be considered)

**Priority will be given to students with a household income of £42,875 or below*

15. Failure to meet scholarship performance levels

15.1 Continuation of any Sport Scholarship will be dependent on the recipient making satisfactory academic and sporting progress.

15.2 Failure to achieve both satisfactory academic and sporting standards or any other progression criteria or conditions that may be attached to an award may result in the termination of the scholarship, or payments being withheld.

15.3 Details of any continuation criteria you need to meet will be detailed in your award email, if successful. Decisions will be made at the discretion of the University and/or the scholarship funder.

16. Payment

16.1 Sport Scholarships will normally be paid in three equal instalments during each academic year of study in which they are due.

16.2 You will be notified in your award email about the payment schedule, but scholarships are generally paid in December, February and April.

16.3 Payments will be made via direct bank transfer. Bank details will need to be provided, otherwise payments will be delayed. The deadline and method for providing your bank details will be included in your award email, if successful. Changes to bank details can be made at any time but will need to be made at least two weeks before a payment date to take effect.

17. Placement Periods

- 17.1 Sport scholarships will not be paid during any paid or unpaid placement period.
- 17.2 For the purposes of the Sport Scholarship scheme, a placement is defined as:
- 17.2.1 The full or half year placement option which forms an integral part of any course which has a defined UCAS code that identifies it as an undergraduate degree course with a placement;
 - 17.2.2 A period of paid or unpaid employment, research or study abroad. These periods normally attract a reduced tuition fee liability;
 - 17.2.3 An optional additional study abroad placement (normally completed in Semester 1 of your fourth year of study), provided that placement rates (not full tuition fee rates) are payable by you to the University during this period.
- 17.3 The BSc (Hons) Social Work and Applied Social Sciences course has practice learning opportunities as part of the course and these are not considered as a placement under these Terms and Conditions.
- 17.4 For courses that are defined as a thin placement course (e.g., Business Administration), bursaries and scholarships are applied on a pro rata basis across the relevant placement years.

18. Honours top up year

- 18.1 If you graduate in a Foundation Degree and continue immediately onto the Honours top up year, then you will continue to receive your sport scholarship if you continue to meet the scholarship eligibility criteria and both the University of Bath and the scholarship funder are satisfied with this. If you take a break in your studies before continuing onto the Honours year, then your scholarship will no longer be payable and you will have to re-apply in your final year of study (please note that even if you were successful in the past, as awards are discretionary and cannot be guaranteed even if you meet all the criteria, you cannot assume that any such future application will be successful).

19. Changes to study

- 19.1 If you change your course or mode of study and are in receipt of an award which is, for example, course/mode specific, it may be withdrawn if you no longer meet the eligibility criteria. If you make any change to your original course of study you must notify the [Performance Sport Officer](#) and the [Department of Development and Alumni Relations](#) immediately.
- 19.2 If you make changes to your study pattern where for example the units are split across two years, payments will normally be paid pro-rata to reflect the credit split. Some scholarship funders may continue to pay the scholar in full, however such decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis and will be at the discretion of the University and the donor.
- 19.3 All successful recipients of a sport scholarship are expected to play, train and compete in line with Anti-Doping rules. As an UKAD Clean Sport accredited institution, the University adopts the UK Anti-Doping (UKAD) and World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) position that cheating, including doping, is fundamentally contrary to the spirit of sport. We will uphold any sanctions placed upon an athlete by UKAD or other associated body in accordance with the WADA code and scholarships will be withdrawn if you breach the WADA code or Anti-Doping Rules at any time.

20. Suspensions and withdrawal from studies

- 20.1 If you suspend or withdraw from your studies, you will not be eligible to receive any future award payments in that academic year. You must notify the [Performance Sport Officer](#) and the [Department of Development and Alumni Relations](#) of your change in circumstances immediately, as it may affect your continued eligibility.
- 20.2 If you suspend or withdraw from your studies, any donor-funded or corporate scholarship paid to you may have to be repaid at the discretion of the University and the relevant donor or corporate partner.

21. Repeating or deferring your studies

- 21.1 Sport scholarships will not be paid during any repeat period(s) of study. This includes a repeat of the same programme (i.e., if a student fails year 1 and takes it again in a subsequent academic year). It also includes studying for the same academic year twice even it is for a different course (so if a student completed year 1 of an engineering course and then changed to a biology degree, they would not be entitled to any payment for the first year of that biology programme, as they would have already studied and received a sport scholarship payment at year 1 undergraduate level).
- 21.2 If you defer or withdraw and restart your studies, any award already offered will become void. You will have to re-apply if you re-start your studies subsequently and want to be considered for a sport scholarship then (i.e., the following year). Even if you were originally successful in your application, that does not mean that you will necessarily be successful in any future application as awards are discretionary.

22. Disciplinary action and fraudulent applications

- 22.1 The University reserves the right to terminate a scholarship award in the case of any disciplinary action being taken against an award-holder. The University may also seek repayment of any scholarship on a pro rata basis, should your award be terminated due to disciplinary action being taken. Cases will be considered on an individual basis by the Head of Student Support Services in their discretion and their decision is final.
- 22.2 The University reserves the right to withdraw an award from anyone who is found to have misled the University about any aspect of their eligibility and to seek repayment of any monies already paid to them. In such cases, the University may seek to recover any money paid as a debt in the county court (in which case it may also seek to recover additional sums such as interest, court fees and legal costs). We may request at any point, for audit purposes, evidence of any widening participation criteria as stated in your application.

23. Definitions

The following definitions apply:

UK Student	Eligible Home UK students are those that are classed as UK (England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland), as assessed for student support purposes, as determined by Student Finance England (SFE) or another relevant UK student loans awarding agency. This is in addition to a Home UK fees status as determined by the University. Students from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man are not UK students according to this definition and are subject to 'Islands students' status.
EU Student	EU students are those that are classed as Home EU (European), as assessed for student support purposes, as determined by SFE. This is in addition to a Home EU fees status as determined by the University.
Overseas Student	Overseas students are those that are classed under the international fee status as determined by the University.
Campus-based	<p>These are undergraduate, postgraduate, foundation or Hons top-up degree courses delivered on the University of Bath site at Claverton Down, BA2 7AY.</p> <p>Courses delivered off site via franchised agreements with partner organisations are not classified as campus-based.</p>
BUCS	British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS) is the organisation responsible for Higher Education (HE) sport in the UK. Students receiving a scholarship which requires them to contribute to university titles must participate in BUCS competitions for the University of Bath at all eligible competitions, unless otherwise agreed with a University of Bath coach or the Performance Sport Officer.
Elite	<p>The University of Bath reserves the right to set the definition of elite to reflect the performance level of athletes based at the University of Bath. Where the scholarship requires 'elite' level performance, we recognise this as athletes who meet one of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top four in national age group competition • International level at both junior and senior level • Contracted to a professional club or franchise <p>These are set to give applicants a guideline to follow when understanding the term 'elite', however the University may adapt its criteria depending on the sport in question.</p>
Household income	This refers to the household income data, as shared with the University, that we receive from your student loans awarding agency e.g., Student Finance England.

	To be eligible for a sport scholarship where household income is part of the criteria, a full financial assessment must have been carried out by your student loans awarding agency and it is your responsibility to ensure this has been completed.
Widening participation	<p>Widening participation (WP) is a way for us to recognise and support those who may not have had the same start in life or opportunities to succeed educationally as others.</p> <p>At Bath we aim to help raise these aspirations and offer financial support through our awards to help students achieve the best they can in their studies. There are many barriers which may affect a person's life journey and may include areas such as financial, social, cultural or geographical. Full WP criteria can be found in the University of Bath's bursaries and scholarships guidelines.</p>

24. Appeals

24.1 The University's decision on the interpretation of eligibility criteria is final and there is no right of appeal. You may make a complaint if you believe that you have not been considered for an award because of a procedural error, or you believe that there has been some other procedural problem with our allocating and awarding system. Complaints based on procedural errors should be made to the [Performance Sport Officer](#) in the first instance. If necessary, after the first instance, a panel made up of the Director of Sport, Deputy Director of Sport and the Performance Sport Officer will consider the complaint. You must comply with all requests for additional information to establish your eligibility within the timeframes specified and you must submit any evidence requested by the stated deadlines.

25. Use of data

25.1 The University may use the personal data provided by applicants in their applications, for all purposes related to the application (i.e., to allow it to be properly considered and any criteria verified). If you submit an application for a scholarship, by doing so, you consent to the University holding and using the data you provide for this purpose.

25.2 All sport scholarships are funded through the generosity of individuals, companies and organisations who wish to support promising student-athletes. Donors who fund scholarships like to know who is benefitting from their donation. For this reason, for successful applicants, the University may give your funder some information about you based on your student record, information given by you in your scholarship application form including contact details, subsequent annual exam results and any changes to your study such as repeat years, suspending study or course changes. This is always done in liaison with DDAR and in most cases we will remove sensitive or personal elements or generalise information about difficult circumstances. We will also provide you with information about your donor, as appropriate.

25.3 By submitting an application for a sport scholarship, you are agreeing to these terms and to your personal information being shared with any donor or prospective donor in this way. However, if you would prefer any particular difficult circumstances to be kept entirely confidential then please contact the [Department of Development and Alumni Relations](#).

26. Student support

26.1 At the University of Bath, we understand that each student is unique and recognise individual differences. Coming to university is a new experience and while for many it is an exciting time full of opportunities, we appreciate some students may encounter uncertainties at some point during their studies. As a scholarship recipient, we want to ensure that you are aware of, and have access to, the right support and advice should you need it. If we have concerns about your well-being, the Department for Donor and Alumni Relations (DDAR) or Department for Sport and Recreation (DSDR) may discuss these on a one-to-one basis with the Wellbeing Team in Student Services, to seek their advice and ensure that you are signposted to relevant support as appropriate. If your donor/mentor has any concerns, they also may raise this with us, and we would discuss these with the Wellbeing Team, as outlined above.

27. Promoting Scholarships

27.1 If you are awarded a scholarship, you may be asked to take part in activities that promote the concept of scholarships to current and potential donors. This may include being interviewed for an article, taking part in a video or having your photo taken. You are not obliged to take part in any of these if you're asked to do so. However, your cooperation would be very much appreciated since it would help make it possible for future students to enjoy the same support.

27.2 Any queries relating to these Terms and Conditions should be addressed to the [Performance Sport Officer](#).