

Massey University Academy of Sport Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Sports

Level of Study

Undergraduate

Purpose

This scholarship was established to support new student athletes enrolling at Massey University with a previous record of high achievement in sport and who show future potential in their chosen sport

Value and Tenure

Up to 25 full-time and part-time scholarships may be awarded annually. The value of the scholarship shall be \$5,000 for full-time students, or pro-rated for part-time students, for one year.

In addition to the scholarship, successful recipients also become members of the Massey University Academy of Sport. The Academy of Sport provides sport and academic support to each athlete including physical conditioning, nutrition, sports psychology, gym memberships, group topical seminars and training gear. Academic support provides one-on-one staff support, time management and academic planning, career advice and assistance with scheduling conflicts.

Athletes accepted into the programme are typically of national and international standard in their chosen sport.

Typical Number on Offer

Up to 25 scholarships

Eligibility

Applicants must be eligible, and intending, to enrol:

- for either full-time (minimum of 105 credits) or part-time (minimum of 45 credits) study
- in the first year (i.e. 100 level) of a bachelor degree programme
- in the year following the award of the scholarship
- at any Massey University campus, including distance

All applicants need to meet the entry criteria for the degree programme that they intend to enrol in at Massey University.

School leaver applicants studying under NCEA should normally have attained an NCEA Level 2 certificate at Year 12 and, in the opinion of the school, must be clearly capable of achieving University Entrance.

School leavers with other qualifications (e.g., International Baccalaureate, Cambridge) and non-school leaver applicants must be able to document academic achievements that are comparable with those required of school leaver applicants at University Entrance or similar. Applicants must be achieving in their chosen sport/s at a minimum of provincial / regional level.

Officials, referees and umpires are not eligible for consideration.

Selection Criteria

Selection will be made on the basis of:

- evidence of excellence in sport in the previous three years both inside and outside of the school context (e.g. provincial or national representative)
- evidence of support from both a coach and National Sporting Organisation (NSO) (compulsory). Two separate letters of support are required. If the sport does not have an NSO, or a supporting letter is not able to be obtained from the NSO, then a supporting letter from the relevant Regional Sports Organisation (RSO) or equivalent must be provided.

In making their selection, the Committee may also refer to applicants' academic records. The Selection Committee will be mindful of the University's strategies in relation to Māori and Pacific students, and to students with disabilities.

Selection Committee

The scholarship will be awarded on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Chair of the University Scholarships Committee or nominee, at least one of the High Performance Coordinators, a representative of External Relations and Development, an academic staff member from the sports area and at least one of: a Māori academic staff member, a Pacific academic staff member, the Disabilities coordinator. Additional staff may be added to the committee if their expertise is deemed necessary.

Payment

Payment will be made in two instalments upon confirmation of enrolment in semesters one and two, following the official withdrawal dates for these semesters. Payment and continuation in the Academy of Sport in semester two shall be subject to successful completion of all enrolled semester one courses, continued participation with their sport, at or above the level at which the scholarship was awarded and active participation in the Academy of Sport Programme.

Conditions of the Scholarship

These scholarships are not tenable with other Massey University scholarships. Recipients would normally be expected to compete for a Massey University sports team. Where recipients are unable to compete for a Massey University team this must be discussed with the High-Performance Coordinator and allowances may be made on a case-by-case basis.