



Sydney Sports Masters Program Suite

Elite Athlete Scholarship

Terms and Conditions

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

Newcastle Business School partners with Global Institute of Sport in delivering our Sports Masters suite of programs. The Elite Athlete Scholarship is targeted at former or current athletes or players transitioning to a career in sports business or sports analytics.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain full-time or part-time enrolment in the Master of International Sports Business (50086) or Master of Sports Analytics (50087) at the University of Newcastle and maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 for the duration of the scholarship.
- Notify scholarships@newcastle.edu.au of any changes to your circumstances - such as reduced study load, change in program, or withdrawal from study – which may impact your eligibility for this scholarship.
- Participate in University of Newcastle and Global Institute of Sport marketing activities and promotional materials related to the degree, as reasonably required.

This scholarship covers up to \$14000 in tuition fees for the standard full-time duration of your approved postgraduate program (or up to 2 years part-time) and mentorship with a sports industry leader.

ESTABLISHMENT

This scholarship has been established to support and acknowledge a talented athlete undertaking postgraduate study either in the Master of International Sports Business or the Master of Sports Analytics at the University of Newcastle. It recognises the valuable contribution that high-performing athletes can make beyond the field — particularly in the business of sport — and aims to remove financial barriers to study. By contributing toward tuition costs, this scholarship invests in the leadership potential of athletes and their capacity to build the reputation of the Sports Masters Program Suite through excellence in both sport and study.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This scholarship is funded by the Newcastle Business School.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for this scholarship, you will need to:

- Be commencing study in the Master of International Sports Business or the Master of Sports Analytics.
- Be a current or former professional athlete or player at a national or regional level seeking to further your career in leadership and specialist roles within the sports industry.
- Be an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident (including holders of a permanent humanitarian visa and New Zealand citizens with permanent residency).
- Not hold another scholarship for the same program of study.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

As part of your application, you will need to prepare:

- A personal statement (approx. 1 A4 page) outlining your academic achievements, career aspirations in the relevant area of study, and how this scholarship would assist you. This statement will cover all scholarships you are applying for.
- Evidence of your professional sporting career as an elite athlete at a national or regional level.

Any applicant that does not submit the required documentation, including documentary evidence, will not be considered for selection.

As part of your application, you will need to agree to the terms and conditions regarding privacy and collection of personal information set out in the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application.

SELECTION

Selection is a competitive process and will be based on assessment of the scholarship application and any required supporting documents, with reference to the eligibility criteria.

Selection will be made by a panel which will consist of a minimum of 3 members from Newcastle Business School and Global Institute of Sport.

The Selection Panel will communicate the details of successful recipients to the Scholarships office, and all applicants will be notified of an outcome via email. This will occur within 6 weeks of the scholarship application closing date.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

If accepting this scholarship, you agree to the following conditions:

- You will continue to meet relevant eligibility criteria (see the section titled “Eligibility” above) for the duration of the scholarship, unless special consideration is approved (see below).
- You will complete your program in 1 year full-time or up to 2 years part-time.
- Subject to trimester review, you will maintain ongoing enrolment in your Master of International Sports Business (50086) or Master of Sports Analytics (50087) with a cumulative GPA of 5.0 (credit average) for the duration of the scholarship.
- If your circumstances change in a way that impacts your eligibility (e.g., change in study load or withdrawal from study), you will notify scholarships@newcastle.edu.au.
- Where reasonable, you will participate and be featured in marketing activities for and on behalf of the University and Global Institute of Sport, which may be published on the sponsoring organisation's websites or used for other promotional purposes. Recipients of this scholarship acknowledge and accept these terms and conditions and consent for their image and/or testimonial to be used for promotional purposes.

BENEFIT

There is one scholarship available each year.

This scholarship provides a maximum benefit of \$14,000 towards tuition fees for the program.

The scholarship benefit will be applied on a pro-rata basis in each term of study for the duration of the scholarship (1 year for full-time study or up to 2 years part-time), providing a \$1750 fee reduction against each eligible 10-unit course taken. The fee reduction will only be applied to courses required to successfully complete the program (as specified in the [Program Handbook](#)).

The scholarship benefit will be applied as tuition fee waivers directly to the recipient's University student account. This will reduce the recipient's tuition fee liability by the scholarship benefit amount for each term of the scholarship duration, provided the conditions of the scholarship are maintained.

The scholarship provides:

Total Scholarship Value:	\$14,000
Unit Value (per 10 units):	\$1750

The scholarship benefit and number of scholarships awarded may vary and will be determined by the funding available in each year.

PERIODS OF LEAVE

This scholarship does not provide a period of leave or deferral.

TERMINATION

Unless terminated earlier, the scholarship will end when the term has expired, and the total benefit has been paid.

The Scholarships office may terminate the scholarship before the term has expired if:

- The scholarship conditions are not met, including relevant eligibility criteria being maintained.
- The scholar completes study and/or ceases to be a student with the University of Newcastle; or
- The scholar has committed serious misconduct (as determined in accordance with the University's relevant policies and rules).

Ongoing scholarships will not be paid out in full in instances where the recipient completes or discontinues study before the full scholarship term has expired.

If you have provided false or misleading information and as a result you were awarded or continued to receive the scholarship, the scholarship may be stopped, and you may be required to repay any scholarship benefits to which you are not entitled to within 14 days of being requested to do so by the University.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

As a scholarship recipient, if you are unable to meet the conditions of the scholarship due to illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances, you may apply for special consideration in writing to scholarships@newcastle.edu.au and your [Program Convenor](#), including any appropriate supporting documentation.

PRIVACY AND COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

The scholarship application or a summary of information provided with the application may be provided to Global Institute of Sport for the purpose of scholarship selection and otherwise to inform the donor that the terms of the donation are met.

You may be asked by Scholarships staff if you give permission for any short articles or newsletter items to be published. You may have the option to provide a photo, quote or short paragraph about yourself for this.

The University of Newcastle is committed to the protection of your personal information and privacy. The University will only disclose your personal information to the extent necessary for the purpose of the provision of this scholarship (including scholarship selection and assessing ongoing eligibility requirements).

When applying, please review the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application which includes additional information in relation to privacy and the collection of personal information and links to the University of Newcastle [Privacy Management Plan](#), [Web Privacy Statement](#), and [UAC Privacy Policy](#).

The University reserves the right to make amendments to these terms and conditions without prior notice.

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