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ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

SUPPORTING AUSTRALIA'S CURRENT AND FUTURE SPORTING CHAMPIONS

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KATYA CREMA
WINTER OLYMPIAN (FRONT COVER)

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ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM

The University of Melbourne, home to some of Australia's oldest sporting programs, invites elite athletes from around the country to continue their study and sport at one of the world's premier universities.

The University has a long and proud tradition of supporting outstanding student athletes in their sporting and academic pursuits. For more than 150 years, students have combined study and sport as part of the Melbourne Experience.

THE ELITE ATHLETE PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- 1. ELITE ATHLETE ENTRY SCHEME**
ATAR Adjustment
- 2. SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS**
Financial and in-kind support
- 3. ELITE ATHLETE RECOGNITION**
Flexible study assistance
- 4. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS**
Financial support for National representatives

The University of Melbourne's Elite Athlete Program – developing leaders on and beyond the sporting field.

DYLAN ALCOTT
WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL PARALYMPIAN

Front: Katya Crema, Winter Olympian



JOANNA WESTON
AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SQUAD MEMBER - NETBALL

“The Elite Athlete Program has helped me balance sport and study to the best of my ability. The multifaceted program has enabled me to continue my studies whilst interstate and overseas through the flexible study arrangement offered and the financial support has enabled me manage my time more efficiently.”

JOANNA WESTON
BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (LEFT)

1. ELITE ATHLETE ENTRY SCHEME

The scheme assists applicants who can demonstrate that their Year 12 (or undergraduate studies for postgraduate applications) has been impacted by elite level training, competition or performance.

Undergraduate applicants may be considered for a positive ATAR aggregate adjustment of either 4 or 6 points, based upon the assessed impact of their elite activity during Year 12.

Applications to graduate studies will be considered by the relevant selection committee.

For the purposes of the scheme, Elite Athletes are generally recognised as:

- An AIS or SIS/SAS scholarship holders
- Professional Player's Association member
- State/National team member for recognised Australian Sports Commission sports

2. SPORT SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

Sport Scholarships provide elite and emerging student-athletes with financial and in-kind support to assist them to reach their potential whilst studying at Melbourne.

Scholarship support may include:

- \$5,000 cash
- \$1,000 club specific support
- \$1,000 University Games subsidy
- Aquatic and fitness membership
- Athlete services including strength and conditioning, physiotherapy, nutrition advice and fitness testing

“Racing in the University Games was always a really fun and memorable experience, and the financial support from Melbourne University Sport made a huge difference in being able to achieve my sporting and academic goals.”

KIM CROW
OLYMPIC ROWER



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3. ELITE ATHLETE RECOGNITION

As a member of the Australian Sports Commission's Elite Athlete Friendly University Network (EAFU) elite athletes are supported by University policy, which provides flexible study assistance, including:

ENROLMENT

- Course deferral
- Extended leave of absence
- Cross institutional study

TIMETABLING

- Adapted study load to suit sporting commitments
- Access to faculty specific elite athlete advisor

ATTENDANCE AND ASSESSMENT

- Flexibility around meeting minimum course requirements
- Renegotiation of deadlines

ALTERNATE EXAM ARRANGEMENTS

- External exams scheduled interstate or overseas

4. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS

Additional financial assistance of up to \$2,000 may be available to elite athletes selected to a national team for an international competition outside of Australia. Applications are open all year round and grants are subject to the availability of funds.

HOW TO APPLY

All applications can be found online at:
sport.unimelb.edu.au/EliteAthleteProgram
Check the website for closing dates

DONORS AND PARTNERS





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