

UniSport National League Program

In line with our mission - Active Students: Lifelong Success - we provide avenues for university students across Australia to participate in sport and to become more engaged with their universities. As part of the ongoing development and review of the UniSport national and international program, UniSport aims to:

- a) Identify and analyse new sporting initiatives that complement the UniSport Strategic Plan
- b) Ensure the delivery of a comprehensive sport program to members that aligns with the UniSport Strategic Plan
- c) Ensure program collaboration with State and National Sporting Organisations and other appropriate stakeholders such as Sport Australia, Commonwealth Games Association and Australian Olympic Committee

National League Objectives:

- Deliver a national tournament dedicated to Australian university students
- Support university objectives of recruitment, retention and employability
- Create maximum engagement, with students involved at all levels - as administrators, spectators, and players
- Create opportunities for the university and local communities to be involved – including friends, families, and alumni
- Build on existing inter-university rivalry through exciting and intense competition to determine the number one university in Australia in the sport being contested
- Is valued by the NSO and supports the NSO pathway

Consideration for inclusion in UniSport national league program:

To align with UniSport strategic objectives, the following factors will be considered:

1. Level of interest/ support from UniSport member universities
2. Participation rates – campus, IV, UniSport nationals, NSO nationals
3. Sport format – open/ both gender divisions, team format
4. University facilities
5. Sport calendar – suitability of mid-week games to bring sport on campus
6. NSO endorsement and support in competition management eg SSO/ NSO rostering officials
7. Sport Australia recognition/ funding status
8. Potential pathway to high performance and/ or international event opportunities (eg University World Cups)