

International Program and Event Sanctioning

UniSport is involved in a number of different high-performance activities ranging in level of involvement from sanctioning through to management of all team activities. As the International University Sports Federation (FISU) member in Australia, UniSport has the exclusive responsibility for the representation of Australia at all FISU events including the Summer and Winter World University Games, World University Championships and University World Cups.

UniSport seeks the support of National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) in conducting the selection process for both athletes and officials in order to target a level appropriate to achieve desired results at these events.

The following outlines the level of involvement that will be provided to UniSport endorsed teams participating in:

1. Summer and Winter World University Games
2. World University Championships
3. University World Cups
4. Other representative teams

Participant Contribution

Participation in these events is on a self-funded basis. UniSport's main priority in determining the participant contribution is to minimise the cost to the athlete. UniSport will use its best endeavors to access and build other funding sources such as sponsorships, grants, trusts etc. Team members are encouraged to contact their University Sport Association as there are often avenues for financial assistance through the University.

1. World University Games

UniSport objectives for the World University Games is to:

- Field teams/ athletes (numbers dependent on FISU regulations) in those sports whose involvement is supported by the relevant NSO and are of a standard appropriate for world championship level competition and in consideration of the following performance objectives:
 - Achieve top 8 final placing across all team sports in which Australia participates
 - All athletes achieve top 15 final placings in their respective events

To help achieve these objectives UniSport will endeavour to provide/ source a level of support as outlined below:

- Manage overall team logistic and operational aspects including:
 - Uniforms (NSO to provide competition uniform)
 - Travel
 - Travel Insurance
 - Liaison with host

- Liaison with relevant stakeholders including NSOs, organising committee, FISU, Australian Embassy representatives
- Completion of entry and accreditation requirements
- Seek additional financial support through sponsorship, in-kind, discounted supplies, additional grants etc
- Liaise with NSOs in relation to selections
- Conduct process of eligibility confirmation
- Provide overall team management support through appointment of Senior Team Management. These appointments will be conducted in accordance with the UniSport By-Law of Selection Criteria and Procedures
- Provide athlete medical support services through appointment of appropriate medical personnel. These appointments will be conducted in accordance with the UniSport By-Law of Selection Criteria and Procedures.
- Determine participant contribution

The following must be undertaken by the NSO as a minimum requirement for UniSport to include the sport in the World University Games team:

- Include event on the NSO competition calendar and on the NSO website
- Identify placement of event on the NSO Elite Athlete Pathway
- Promote event throughout the NSO network
- Conduct selections for athletes and officials in consideration of UniSport performance goals
- Provide competition uniforms
- Appoint all team officials including technical officials
- Appoint medical official (where appropriate to sport/ team size)
- Provide competition insurance
- Assist in the promotion of the team and results through NSO networks and distribution of relevant media articles and releases

Where possible, the following support from the NSO is requested:

- Additional financial support where possible
- support for leveraging, wherever possible, the necessary corporate, government, media and sporting relationships available at the national level

Note: UniSport does not provide honorariums or per diems for team officials or technical officials

Note: If an NSO does not support participation or is unable to assist in facilitating participation in the WUSG, UniSport reserves the right to determine alternate selection opportunities eg UniSport Nationals gold medallists. In these instances, the relevant university would have responsibility for selections (and ensuring athletes are eligible as per FISU regulations), insurance and providing competition uniforms.

2. World University Championships (WUCs)

The WUC calendar is determined by FISU and may vary from year to year. UniSport will determine which WUCs, if any, a team will be fielded following consultation with the relevant NSO. UniSport objectives for World University Championships are:

- Field teams/ athletes (numbers dependent on FISU regulations) in those sports whose involvement is supported by the relevant NSO and are of a standard appropriate for international competition and in consideration of the following performance objectives:
 - All athletes achieve minimum top 15 placings in their respective events

UniSport will:

- Manage overall team logistic and operational aspects including:
 - Dress Uniforms (NSO to provide competition uniform)
 - Travel
 - Travel Insurance
 - Liaison with host
 - Liaison with relevant NSOs
 - Completion of entry and accreditation requirements
- Seek additional financial support through sponsorship, discounted supplies, additional grants etc
- Liaise with NSOs in relation to selections
- Conduct process of eligibility confirmation
- Determine participant contribution

UniSport expectations for NSO involvement:

- Include event on the NSO calendar and on the NSO website
- Promote event throughout the NSO network
- Conduct selections for athletes and officials in consideration of UniSport performance goals
- Provide competition uniforms
- Appoint all team officials including technical officials
- Provide competition insurance
- Additional financial support where possible
- Assist in the promotion of the team and results through NSO networks and distribution of relevant media articles and releases*
- support for leveraging, wherever possible, the necessary corporate, government, media and sporting relationships available at the national level

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3. University World Cups and Qualification Events

The University World Cups are university-based competitions requiring all team members to be from the same university. Entry to the University World Cups is via a continental qualification process. UniSport will determine the qualification event or process from which the winning university will be nominated to compete at the FISU Oceania qualifying event.

UniSport will:

- Liaise with FISU and FISU Oceania
- Conduct process of eligibility confirmation
- Determine participant contribution
- Liaise with participants in ensuring completion/ provision of all event requirements including receipt and payment of relevant fees and insurances

Participating universities will be responsible for:

- Conducting selections
- Provision of competition and dress uniforms where necessary
- Appointment of all team officials including technical officials
- Payment of any relevant fees
- Management of overall team logistics including travel, insurance and visa applications if applicable

4. Other Representative Teams

In determining its program each year, UniSport will consider applications for sanctioning of other events/ teams. For more information please refer to the [UniSport Australia Endorsement Program](#). For other UniSport sanctioned representative teams, UniSport will liaise with the NSO and/ or Organising Committee to form an agreement to determine responsibility for the management of team logistic and operational aspects including:

- Uniforms
- Travel
- Travel Insurance
- Liaison with host in regards to payment of entry, participation and any other required fees
- Completion of entry and accreditation requirements

UniSport will:

- Liaise with NSOs in relation to selections

- Conduct process of eligibility confirmation
- Determine participant contribution
- Liaise with participants in ensuring completion/ provision of all event requirements including receipt and payment of relevant fees and insurances

As a minimum for the activity to be included in the UniSport International Program, NSOs must:

- Conduct selections
- Provide competition uniforms where necessary
- Appoint all team officials including technical officials



