



Sydney Uni  
SPORT & FITNESS

# SPORTING SCHOLARSHIPS

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# INTRODUCTION

## Shining Stars and Bright Minds

Pursuing excellence in tertiary studies and sport simultaneously can be especially challenging. Sporting Scholarships can provide tremendous support to student athletes so that they may achieve their ultimate sporting and academic goals.



# DID YOU KNOW?



Sydney University is the most **successful** sporting organisation in Australia, in terms of national representatives and major premierships won.

## 45th

If Sydney University were a **country** at the 2016 Rio Olympics, the achievements of our athletes would have brought about a medal tally ranking of equal **45th** with Slovenia.

## 45+

There are **45+** Sydney University sporting **clubs** (most of which compete at the highest level).



Financial **contributions** towards Sporting Scholarships are a great way to **support** Sydney University's sport and student athletes. *They are also fully tax-deductible!*

## 1990

Since **1990**, **Sporting Scholarships** and the Elite Athlete Program have anchored more than two decades of unprecedented sporting and academic success for Sydney University.



**Elite Athlete Program** members are high-achieving individuals who **graduate** to become leaders across diverse fields and industries.



Sydney University sporting **clubs** have both a developing and established history of regular national titles, first grade premierships and club **championships**.

## WHY GIVE?

You can give towards Sporting Scholarships, trustfully knowing that your precious contribution will **inspire**. Sydney University's athletes and sporting clubs impact the nation (and indeed the world) with their sporting and academic achievements which reflect excellence and the desire to succeed.



# WHY DID THEY GIVE?

Like their gifts and scholarship beneficiaries, our Sporting Scholarships benefactors are treasured, remarkable and inspirational. Here are the stories of just a few.



## Adam Spencer

### (The Adam Spencer Scholarship; est. 2011)

Awarded annually to a female soccer player and member of the Elite Athlete Program.

*"Sport at the University, especially women's football, has been a massive part of my life. I'm lucky enough to be able to give a little back, and honoured to do so".*



## Tony & Josephine Sukkar

### (The Buildcorp Scholarship; est. 2011)

Awarded to an emerging Rugby player, who has potential to be considered for future employment at Buildcorp.

*"Buildcorp has been sponsoring grassroots rugby and Sydney University rugby for over 25 years and it is important to us that this support extends beyond the field. We want to give back to the rugby community by providing opportunities for men and women to develop and grow into tomorrow's business and community leaders, with the aim that they will someday be in a position to provide the same opportunities for the next generation".*



## The Panebianco Family

### (The Ralph's Café/Panebianco Scholarship; est. 2009)

Awarded annually to an emerging young female basketball player and member of the Elite Athlete Program.

*"Giving a scholarship to a deserving recipient each year makes the Panebianco family proud, knowing that we have helped a student by making it possible to achieve their goal in sport. I will never forget one year, one of the students came to the café so emotional and so thankful for receiving the scholarship which had helped her so much. It touched us and made us feel so good about playing a small part in someone's life to help achieve their dreams".*

# YOUR IMPACT

Through your generosity, recipients of Sporting Scholarships may be able to receive a range of benefits and services to assist them with finding the right balance to achieve their sporting and academic potential. Monetary allotments can help to alleviate financial pressures associated with the limited scope in which student athletes are able to work, while the value of other assistance such as academic advocacy and advice, tutoring and sports performance psychology; is absolutely priceless.



## Elizabeth Grey

*B. Arts*

### Soccer

2015 and 2016 WNPL1 Premiers; Captain of the Sydney Uni 1st Grade team in 2015 and 2016; 2015 Western Sydney Wanderers W-League team member.

*"Being a soccer scholarship holder at Sydney Uni means that I am given the support and resources to be able to fulfill my university requirements while still being able to play sport at a high level. It means that I know there are always people who will be there to give me guidance, in both sporting and academic settings, and to push me to be the best student and athlete that I can be. I am really grateful for the opportunities that I have had as a Sydney Uni sporting scholarship holder".*



## Katie Ebzery

*B. Education (Secondary: Human Movement & Health Education)*

### Basketball

Australian representative at the 2016 Rio Olympics; Bronze medalist at the 2013 and 2011 World University Games; WNBL All Star 5 2015/16.

*"Having a sporting scholarship from Sydney University has provided me with the flexibility to be an elite athlete as well as a full time student. The opportunity and continued support that they provide, gives me peace of mind, in that I will have a career to transition into when life after sport begins".*



# YOUR IMPACT... IN THEIR WORDS



## Tom Kingston

*Juris Doctor*

### Rugby/Rugby Sevens

Australian representative at the 2016 Rio Olympics; 41 Super Rugby Caps; 2 x Shute Shield Premierships with Sydney University Football Club.

*"I have always considered a sporting scholarship to Sydney University very prestigious given the calibre of athletes that have one, not only in the Rugby program but across the board. It is something I am very proud of as I feel like it reflects the effort and commitment I have for not only my sport, but also my academic pursuits. From a practical point of view it has meant that I have been able to balance playing professional rugby with attaining a Bachelors degree and continuing to study, something that simply would not have been possible without the help of those in charge of the scholarship program".*

## Tom Ayton

*Doctor of Medicine*

### Australian Football

*"I am currently studying a Doctorate of Medicine at The University of Sydney and playing Australian Football in the North Eastern Australian Football League (NEAFL) for Sydney University Australian National Football Club (SUANFC). Our team competes against four professional clubs, state sides from the ACT and NT and three club teams from QLD. This requires me to prepare at the level of a professional athlete whilst juggling the equivalent of a busy full-time job. The degree requires approximately 40 hours of contact per week, as well as additional course work and continual assessment preparation. I cannot emphasise enough how this would not be possible without support. The educational and wellbeing assistance I receive from the Elite Athlete Program as well as the financial support, allows me to give my very best effort on the oval and in the course."*

# HOW TO GIVE

Your donation towards Sydney University Sporting Scholarships requires confirmation of just a handful of preferences, as outlined below.



## Athlete

Would you prefer your gift to support students who are:

- Elite athletes (and members of the Elite Athlete Program\*); or
- Sydney University athletes who may or may not be current members of the Elite Athlete Program?



## Sport

Would you prefer your gift to support a specific sport?

**Yes** - By nominating a sport, your gift will benefit the performance of a particular Sydney University sporting club.

**No** - Your donation will assist Sydney University's student athletes and sporting clubs in a broad fashion.



## Amount

### + \$30,000 - Named Sporting Scholarships

Gifts of any amount are encouraged. However, a gift or a pledge of at least \$30,000 will carry with it the perpetual naming rights to a Sporting Scholarship. Funds received are preserved by trust. This enables you to make a significant contribution to Sporting Scholarships and receive perpetual recognition.

### Up to \$30,000

Most donations to Sporting Scholarships involve much smaller amounts than those involved in Named Sporting Scholarships. And, of course, tax-deductible gifts of any denomination are very gratefully received. Your donation will be pooled and held in trust. The interest earned on pooled funds creates an ongoing income stream to support Sporting Scholarships. The larger the pool, the greater the income stream.



## Method

**Donations** can be made in one lump sum, or over a specified period of regular installment payments.

**Bequests** towards Sporting Scholarships are another way of supporting Sydney University's sporting endeavors and providing a lasting legacy. You may find that you can make a significant bequest in your will, whereas cash flow considerations may preclude you from making a gift that you would otherwise like to provide during your own lifetime.

\*Administered by dedicated Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness staff, the Elite Athlete Program supports elite athletes who are concurrently pursuing excellence in elite - level sport and tertiary studies. Members may receive access to monetary and non-monetary benefits and services; designed to assist them with balancing their sport and study commitments and achieving to their potential in both. For more information about the Elite Athlete Program or to donate, please complete the Donation Form or visit [www.susf.com.au](http://www.susf.com.au).

# FIVE BY '25

## SPORTING SCHOLARSHIPS CAMPAIGN

### The pursuit of excellence

Excellence in sport is integral to Sydney University's rich and diverse identity. Assisting Sydney University sporting clubs and elite athletes who strive for brilliance in academia and sport contributed to this success.

2015 marked 25 years since the first Sporting Scholarships were awarded. Whilst three elite athletes were fortunate enough to receive assistance in 1990; now nearly 400 elite athletes are supported each year.

The last 25 years have seen the emergence and achievement of numerous Olympians and Paralympians, world title holders, world record breakers, national representatives, club and state champions. However, importantly, these athletes are also outstanding university students, graduates, industry and community front-runners.

*Enabling excellence and developing leaders, both on and off the sporting field, is at our core.*

### Our goal

We hope that with your philanthropic donations we can reach:

# \$5M By 2025

With at least \$2m of this amount reached by 2020

Your gift will help to ensure that excellence in sport and tertiary studies remains achievable for Sydney University's athletes and sporting clubs.

*Enable remarkable achievement, bright futures and the tradition of success of Sydney University in sport.*

# DONATION FORM

For donations to Sydney University Sporting Scholarships

PERSONAL DETAILS		
Title: Dr Mr Ms Mrs Miss		
Name:		
Address:		Postcode:
Phone (Home):	(Work):	Mobile:
Email Address:		
PREFERENCES		
Would you prefer your gift to support students who are:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Elite athletes (and members of the Elite Athlete Program*); or		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sydney University athletes who may or may not be current members of the Elite Athlete Program?		
Would you prefer your gift to support a specific sport?		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (please specify) _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> No		
AMOUNT		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$250		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000		
<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other \$: _____		
PAYMENT METHOD		
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation		
• In one lump sum, during the month of _____ 20____; or		
• In annual installment payments of \$ _____ over _____ years, commencing in the month of _____ 20 _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bequest		
PAYMENT OPTIONS		
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheques made payable to 'University of Sydney Sport Foundation'		
<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card		
Card Type:		
Card No:	Expiry Date: /	
Name on card:		
Signed by:		
Date: / /		

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# ABOUT US



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**SYDNEY**

## University of Sydney Sport Foundation

For over 50 years, The University of Sydney's Foundations have harnessed the generosity of donors and benefactors across the community; securing vital funding for research and education across the University's active fields. University of Sydney Sport Foundation was established in 2005 and is dedicated to ensuring the ongoing viability and sustainability of sport and sporting success at Sydney University. The Foundation enables benefactors to receive tax deductions for all donations in support of their principal sporting interests.

As with sport-specific divisions of the University of Sydney Sport Foundation, there is also an established division to facilitate targeted fundraising for Sporting Scholarships and the Elite Athlete Program. The Sporting Scholarships division of the foundation aims to increase the funds available to support student athletes who endeavor to achieve excellence in their sport and academic pursuits.

### Purpose

University of Sydney Sport Foundation aims to increase the resources of the University by:



Fundraising



Securing the provision of services  
or other non-financial contributions,  
including community engagement



Securing gifts  
and grants

Such resources assist the Senate and the Vice-Chancellor in the promotion of the object of the University, in relation to the sporting clubs, associations and associated services endorsed by Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness, through The University of Sydney. For more information please visit [www.susf.com.au](http://www.susf.com.au).





For more information on giving to Sydney University  
Sporting Scholarships, please contact us



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