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## Macquarie University Selection Criteria for University Sport Event

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### Purpose

The purpose of this document is to describe the guidelines for the selection process, of any student participating in a University Sport event. This document assists in the development of a team ethos which promotes positive team culture and focused on competitive participants.

### Objectives

1. Select athletes that will give Macquarie University the best chance of achieving the following performance goals:
  - a. Top 3 at Eastern University Games (EUG)
  - b. Top 10 at Australian University Games (AUG)
  - c. Spirit of the Games Award/ Spirit of the Mountain Award
  - d. Top 10 at Snow University Games
2. Select athletes committed to driving a performance culture.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for selection a student must:

1. Be currently enrolled in undergraduate or post graduate study.
2. Be studying towards a certificate or higher award offered by Macquarie University.
3. Be selected by the Macquarie University Sport Selection Committee and endorsed by the General Manager - Sport & Recreation.
4. Have authorisation from Macquarie University that the student is eligible to compete.
5. Have paid in full all associated fees prior to departure.
6. Agree to the Macquarie University Sport Code of Behaviour.
7. Agree to the Student Code of Conduct.
8. Agree to the Acceptable Use Policy.
9. Agree to the Refund Policy.
10. Agree to follow all directions as set out by Macquarie University Sport Management.
11. Be prepared to participate in selection process and training sessions in preparation for the event.

### Selection Criteria

#### **Individual/Teams under four participants**

Any athlete wishing to represent Macquarie University at a University Sport event will be required to submit an application form outlining their past performances. All selected athletes will need to adhere to the selection criteria. Each application will be reviewed by the Macquarie University Sport Selection Committee.

#### **Team**

Any athlete wishing to represent Macquarie University at a University Sport event will be required to attend at least one (1) scheduled trial or complete a "Consideration for Team Application" form. All selected athletes will need to adhere to the selection criteria. Each team representing Macquarie University at AUG will be required to qualify under the Australian University Sport (AUS) guidelines. Where a qualification is not required by AUS, teams will be required to compete at EUG and the Macquarie University Sport Selection Committee will determine whether to send a team to AUG based on performance.

The following areas will be used to assess the suitability of athletes for selection. All criteria are to be considered of equal weighting.

- **Attitude:** Willingness to accept instructions, ability to work with other team members and abide by the terms and conditions of the University Games Code of Conduct.
- **Behaviour:** Past behaviour during involvement in University sport events (both on and off the field of play) will be considered.
- **Fitness and Athletic Ability:** Speed, aerobic fitness, strength and agility.
- **Technical Competence:** Core skills relevant to each sport for example: skill level, technical implementation, efficiency and form.
- **Tactical Nous – tactical ability:** Reading the play, involvement in the game and on field decision making.
- **Potential to Improve:** Present performance level relative to past performances.
- **Competitive Ability:** Mental toughness, concentration, strength, temperament, determination, commitment, performance in adverse conditions, coping with pressure/setbacks/criticism and persistence.
- **Individual Application to Training and Competition:** Attendance, availability and ability to rehabilitate from injury.

#### Extenuating Circumstances

The Macquarie University Selection Committee will use their discretion when taking into account any exceptional circumstances that may have affected an athlete's performance during selection trials. This includes any student that may not be able to present or attend trials. In such circumstances students will need to submit a "Consideration for Team Application" form which will be reviewed by the respective head coach and Macquarie University Selection Committee. The selection process must be endorsed by the General Manager - Sport and Recreation and based on the guidelines listed above.

#### Selection Committee

Athlete selection will be made by the individual sport coach in liaison with the Selection Committee and the University Sport Coordinator. The selection must be endorsed by the General Manager – Sport and Recreation. Selections will be made according to the guidelines listed above.