

Sports scholarships

The University offers opportunities for student athletes to be supported with their aspirations of maintaining their playing career whilst also studying for a high-quality degree. Our panel will consider applicants as part of the admissions cycle and will offer support to those they feel will make a valuable contribution to the University's sporting objectives.

Scholarship Details

Level	What is offered to students on an annual basis
Gold	<p>Up to £5000 cash support</p> <p>Plus, a support package worth approx. £2,000</p> <p>Free Sports Facility Membership</p> <p>Free Club Membership</p> <p>Gold Kit package</p> <p>Up to 20 free sessions of physiotherapy</p> <p>Up to 10 individual Strength and Conditioning sessions plus group support</p> <p>Up to 10 individual Lifestyle, Nutrition and Psychology support sessions plus group support</p> <p>Individual mentor</p> <p>Dual career flexibility (academic flexibility around performance needs)</p>
Silver	<p>Up to £2000 cash support</p> <p>Plus, a support package worth over £1,000</p> <p>Free Sports Facility Membership</p>

	<p>Free Club Membership</p> <p>Silver Kit package</p> <p>Up to 15 free sessions of physiotherapy</p> <p>Up to 5 individual Strength and Conditioning sessions plus group support</p> <p>Group Lifestyle, Nutrition and Psychology support sessions</p> <p>Dual career flexibility (academic flexibility around performance needs)</p>
<p>Bronze</p>	<p>Up to £500 cash support</p> <p>Plus, a support package worth approx. £750</p> <p>Free Sports Facility Membership</p> <p>Free Club Membership</p> <p>Bronze Kit package</p> <p>Up to 10 free sessions of physiotherapy</p> <p>Group Strength and Conditioning sessions</p> <p>Group Lifestyle, Nutrition and Psychology support sessions</p> <p>Dual career flexibility (academic flexibility around performance needs)</p>

Talented individuals:

We invite applications from talented individuals who are competing at a high level within their sport, as long as it is a British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) sport [BUCS Sports](#) or para sport [BUCS Para Sport](#) (i.e. a sport at which Universities compete). The criteria upon which these scholarships are considered are below:

All applicants are required to evidence how they meet the following criteria (on a separate form) - these criteria are primarily UK-based and are indicative of the levels rather than being definitive due to variations by sport. It is not expected that players will

necessarily meet all the criteria at any one level. Therefore, it is important that players use evidence in support of their application to indicate their 'level' of current performance. Please note this year evidence of performance levels will be judged over the last 2-year period rather than the standard 12 months due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

BUCS Sports Criteria:

Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Currently representing your chosen sport on an international or national basis (for example, with Great Britain or England), at either senior or junior level. Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard, or above, in terms of sport world rankings.</p> <p>Current first-team player at an elite club (not barred to play for the University by professional contract).</p> <p>Ranked individually in the top 10 nationally by your National Governing Body of sport.</p> <p>An athlete on a recognised NGB Talent pathway or attending a National Academy.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (Red/White).</p> <p>Personal best (within the last 2 years) would have the potential to medal in the championship final for BUCS.</p>
Silver	<p>Current regional representation at senior or junior level (for example, North England).</p> <p>Ranked individually in the top 25 nationally in your given BUCS sport/para sport.</p> <p>An athlete playing senior level for a first team in a national/regional high performing team/club (not barred by contract from playing for</p>

	<p>the University).</p> <p>An athlete on a recognised NGB Talent pathway.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (white/blue).</p> <p>Personal best (within the last 2 years) would have the potential to qualify for the championship finals for BUCS.</p>
Bronze	<p>Current County/regional representation at senior or junior level (for example, Northwest).</p> <p>Current professional club academy or age group player (for example, Under 21s).</p> <p>The ability to make a significant contribution to performance sport at UCLan (i.e. contributing to team or individual success in BUCS competition).</p>

Focal Sports:

- Basketball
- Netball
- Rugby League
- Table Tennis
- Women’s Football
- Golf

The University has six focal sports and although we do invite scholarship applications in any BUCS sport or para sport, we prioritise our scholarships for our focal sports and the criteria upon which these are considered are in the table below:

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Focal Sports Criteria:

Basketball (Men's and Women's)	
Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level. Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard, or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>Proven playing experience as an undergraduate at an International College or University Level (NCAA/CCAA/USport).</p> <p>Substantial experience playing at men's / women's national league, WBBL, BBL, or equivalent overseas experience, making a significant impact to the team</p> <p>Experience of EABL (Elite Academy Basketball League) or the ABL (Academy Basketball League) and WEABL (Women's Elite Academy Basketball League).</p> <p>Experience of junior U16 and U18 national league competition, making a significant impact to the team.</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (Red/White)</p>
Silver	<p>Experience playing at men's / women's national league, WBBL, BBL, or equivalent overseas experience, making a demonstrable impact to the team</p> <p>Experience of EABL (Elite Academy Basketball League) or the ABL</p>

	<p>(Academy Basketball League) and WEABL (Women’s Elite Academy Basketball League).</p> <p>Experience of junior U16 and U18 national league competition, having a demonstrable impact on the team.</p> <p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (White/Blue)</p>
Bronze	<p>Experience playing at men’s / women’s national league, WBBL, BBL, or equivalent overseas experience.</p> <p>Experience of EABL (Elite Academy Basketball League) or the ABL (Academy Basketball League)</p> <p>Experience of junior U16 and U18 national league competition.</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p>

Golf (Men’s and Women’s)	
Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U18/Seniors). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard, or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) - Male 3999 or lower</p> <p>World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) - Female 1999 or lower</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>

<p>Silver</p>	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U18/Seniors). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard, or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) - Male 6499 or lower</p> <p>World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) - Female 3499 or lower</p> <p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>
<p>Bronze</p>	<p>Experience of competing in national level competitions: County Championships and National Youth Championships.</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>

<p>Netball</p>	
<p>Level</p>	<p>Criteria</p>
<p>Gold</p>	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U19/U21/Seniors). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard, or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>Substantial experience in playing in the Vitality Netball Super League Squad, or a named training partner.</p> <p>Identified as part of the National Futures/Academy</p> <p>National Premier League 1 regular starter, making a significant impact to the team.</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>

	A current TASS athlete (Red/White)
Silver	<p>Regional Prem League regular starter and making a demonstrable impact to the team</p> <p>Experience of National Premier League 3/2</p> <p>Playing in the Vitality Netball Super League Franchise U19/U21</p> <p>Vitality Netball Super League Associate training partners.</p> <p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (White/Blue)</p>
Bronze	<p>Be a regular starter for the Regional Championship League 1</p> <p>Compete in the Regional Premiership League</p> <p>To be selected for the AOC national squads, with playing experience.</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>

Rugby League	
Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U16/U18/Academy or above). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>Regular, current experience of playing in Betfred Division 1 (Tier 3) or above or equivalent overseas experience; and not barred by</p>

	<p>contract to play for the University.</p> <p>Regular and current experience of playing within a recognised Club Academy</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above</p> <p>A current TASS athlete</p>
Silver	<p>Experience of representing England/GB at an international amateur level (e.g. Lionhearts or Community Lions) or equivalent overseas representation.</p> <p>Currently or recently part of the National Academy programme or overseas equivalent</p> <p>Experience of representing England Colleges or equivalent</p> <p>Regular, current experience of playing in National Conference Premier Division player (Tier 4)</p> <p>Experience of playing within a recognised Club Academy</p> <p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above</p> <p>A current TASS athlete</p>
Bronze	<p>Regional representation in Tri-Series</p> <p>Experience of playing within a recognised Club's Development Academy with experience of being part of the colleges representative programme (i.e. Regionals and Origin Squads)</p> <p>The ability to make a significant contribution to performance sport at UCLan (i.e. contributing to team or individual success in BUCS competition).</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>

Table Tennis (Men's and Women's)

Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U19/U21/Seniors). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard or above, in terms of world sport rankings.</p> <p>Ranked Top 10 Senior in England (or equivalent in other nations)</p> <p>Substantial experience in playing in the Senior British League Premier Division (or comparative Leagues overseas)</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (Red/White)</p>
Silver	<p>Ranked Top 25 Junior or Top 50 Senior in England (or equivalent in other nations)</p> <p>Experience of playing in Junior British League Premier or Division 1, making a demonstratable impact to the team (or comparative Leagues overseas)</p> <p>Senior British League Premier, Championship or National A player (or comparative Leagues overseas)</p> <p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above</p> <p>A current TASS athlete (White/Blue)</p>
Bronze	<p>Ranked Top 50 Junior in England (or equivalent level in other nations)</p> <p>Experience of competing in national level competitions: British League, County Championships, 4-star events (or equivalent events)</p>

	<p>in other nations)</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above</p>
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Women's Football	
Level	Criteria
Gold	<p>Experience of representing Country at international level (U17 or above). Representation would need to be for England or a nation of an equivalent standard.</p> <p>Regular, current experience of playing in FA Women's Tier 3 (National League Premier Divisions) or above or equivalent overseas experience; and not barred by contract to play for the University.</p> <p>Regular and current experience of playing within a FA Women's Super League Academy.</p> <p>Previous experience of playing U16 RTC football.</p> <p>Proven playing experience as an undergraduate overseas player (e.g. NCAA).</p> <p>Ability to dominate play at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete.</p>
Silver	<p>Regular, current experience of playing in FA Women's Tier 4 (National League Division 1) or above or equivalent overseas experience.</p> <p>Experience of playing with a FA Women's Super League Academy team.</p> <p>Previous experience of playing U16 RTC football</p>

	<p>Ability to excel at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p> <p>A current TASS athlete.</p>
Bronze	<p>Experience of playing in FA Women's Tier 4 (National League Division 1) or above or equivalent overseas experience.</p> <p>The ability to make a positive and consistent contribution to team success in BUCS competition.</p> <p>Involvement in a Tier 1-3 'shadow squad'.</p> <p>Potential to perform at BUCS A1 standard or above.</p>

It is recognised that these criteria have a UK context, if you have any questions regarding the criteria, particularly from an international context, please contact UAdmissions@uclan.ac.uk

Terms and Conditions

Scholarship athletes are expected to:

- fully engage with their academic programmes of study, meeting the academic requirements of their course. Sports Scholars must make satisfactory progress in both their sporting and academic pursuits to have their Scholarship renewed annually.
- train and perform to the best of their ability.
- exhibit the UCLan Sport DNA - Pride, Passion and Perseverance
- contribute to the University's sports performance. Scholarship athletes must be willing and able to compete for the University in British University and Colleges Sport (BUCS).
- be ambassadors for their sports and the University, supporting marketing and promotional activities at UCLan.

Selection Process:

- The criteria serve as preliminary guidelines for the level of athlete eligible to apply
- Applicants that meet the criteria will be assessed against the University's sporting objectives; The panel will make decisions on the athlete's ability to make a difference to the university's strategic goals (i.e. successfully represent the University in BUCS sport).
- The selection process is competitive; meeting the criteria is not a guarantee of being awarded a Scholarship
- The scholarship award is for entry in academic year 2021-22; applications cannot be carried over or deferred. Students wishing to receive a scholarship in future years will be required to reapply in the next academic cycle.
- Please note this year evidence of level of athlete will be judged over the last 2-year period rather than the standard 12 months due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Eligibility:

- The scholarships are available to UK, EU and International students.
- The student must be studying on a full time or part time undergraduate or postgraduate course at the University, starting in September 2021, at either the Preston, Burnley, West Lakes or Myerscough Campuses to be eligible for a sport scholarship.
- You must be competing in a recognised British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) sport or para sport (you can check the list of sports using these links - [BUCS Sports](#) or [BUCS Para Sport](#)) and be willing and able to compete on behalf of the University (i.e. not barred by professional contract to play for the University).
- Normally scholarships are awarded to students studying at the University's main campus in Preston as this is where the performance sports infrastructure is based. However individual sport students may be able to represent the University in Championship competitions without the need to be based at the Preston campus; such instances will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Our Golf team also operates from our Myerscough campus.
- If any of the information provided in the application for a scholarship is inaccurate,



the University reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship offered.

Application Process

If you believe that you meet the above criteria please complete the [application form](#) and return it via email to UAdmissions@uclan.ac.uk

There will be two rounds of decision making on Sports Scholarship for entry in September 2021:

- Round One: Deadline for applications, midnight on Sunday 2 May 2021
- Round Two: Deadline for applications, midnight on Monday 30 August 2021

If you have received your offer by April 2021 please apply through round one.

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