



**SOUTH WEST
ACADEMY OF SPORT**
VICTORIA



2020

Individual Athlete Program

Scholarship Application

Program Information

General Eligibility

Selection Guidelines



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1.0 South West Academy of Sport Overview

The South West Academy of Sport (SWAS) is a not-for-profit organisation which became an incorporated association in 2000 and started its operation in September 2004. SWAS covers the South West region of Victoria, incorporating the municipalities of Corangamite Shire, Glenelg Shire, Moynes Shire, Warrnambool City and the Shire of the Southern Grampians.

Regional athletes face some greater challenges than their metropolitan counterparts due to their geographic location. Funding has been sourced from the State Government through the Victorian Institute of Sport, Local Government and commercial sponsors. As a result, the athlete programs are able to be run with significant subsidy.

SWAS provides tangible support for talented athletes to access pathways and learn all aspects of training and become leaders in their community as they strive to reach sporting excellence.

SWAS provides a range of performance services for supported talented athletes including:

- Intensive training by quality coaches
- Skill development
- Sports Psychologist sessions
- Parenting Talented athletes
- 12 month Gym membership
- Strength and conditioning programs, support and advice (including functional movement screening)
- Sports science testing and education
- SWAS uniform
- Personal Development and Education workshops such as Nutrition, Leadership, Personal Branding, Media training and Recovery
- Access to a medical support network.

In sports where SWAS does not have a partnered squad program, athletes may apply for the **Individual Athlete Program - Scholarship (IAP - Scholarship)**. The Individual Athlete Program supports talented athletes from a variety of Olympic, Paralympic and non-Olympic (Commonwealth Games) sports.

Cost

All athletes accepted will be required to pay an academy levy to supplement costs associated with the services. Included in this fee are SWAS membership, awards levy, uniform, gym membership & trainer, MSK and fitness assessments, and more. The athlete's levy for the Individual Athlete Program is \$350 (some uniform costs may apply).

**Please note the cost for squad sports programs varies dependant on the particular sport costs. .*



2.0 IAP - Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

Who is eligible for an Individual Athlete Program - Scholarship?

- IAP - Scholarships are only available to athletes who are registered with a recognised Victorian sporting organisation or peak club in the absence of a specific sporting organisation.
- Applicants must be **Australian Citizens**.

IAP - Scholarships are only available to athletes in sports where SWAS does not host a squad program.

2020 SWAS partnered squad programs include;

- Clay Target Shooting
- Cycling
- Golf
- Netball
- Tennis
- Surfing
- Hockey

If you are applying as an athlete in any of these sports and are unaware of the application process please contact SWAS to determine your selection pathway.

3.0 Selection Guidelines

The SWAS Individual Athlete Program has a limited number of scholarships available each calendar year. For the 2020 program it is anticipated that up to 20 individuals can be supported. SWAS has absolute discretion to select less or more of the notional number of individual scholarships if circumstances warrant.

Every effort will be made to confirm receipted submission of electronically submitted applications, however due to the large number of applications generally received confirmation of receipt may not be possible.

The following selection guidelines will be used to assess each application on relative merit. Please note that the criteria outlined below should not be viewed in isolation as **all** selection guidelines will be taken into account.



Selection Guidelines:

1. Capacity for SWAS to 'make a positive difference' to the athletes ongoing professional development.
2. Capacity and willingness of the athlete to utilise SWAS services to enhance their athletic development.
3. Other important criteria against which an applicant may be assessed include;
 - The athlete's performance and results over the past 2 years.
 - Current/former SWAS scholarship athlete's usage of SWAS services and commitment to developing as an elite athlete including their willingness to take direction from SWAS service staff and their personal coach/es. Communication with SWAS staff will also be assessed.
 - Other assistance provided to the athlete from within the Victoria and nationally.

In general SWAS does not award IAP – Scholarships to more than 4 applicants per sport.

4.0 Selection Procedures and Notable Application Dates

**The 20TH of JANUARY
APPLICATIONS CLOSE (COB)**

**The 23st to the 31th of JANUARY
ASSESSMENT OF APPLICATIONS**

The selection committee will convene and review all applications in accordance with the selection guidelines. The selection committee may verify any statement of claims, rankings and performances with any relevant Coaches, High Performance Managers, parties and personal and will be guided in their decision making process bearing these discussions in mind.

**February 3rd
NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION OUTCOME**

South West Academy of Sport will notify successful and/or unsuccessful athletes.

5.0 Notable Dates for successful IAP - Scholarship Athletes

**February 16th 2020 - December 31st
2020 Individual Athlete Program - Active Run Time**

Applicants will be required to undergo a musculoskeletal screening prior to commencing the 2020 Individual Athlete Program. Results will be provided in their letter of offer.

February – March 2020

Planning meetings with successful applicants will occur and individual service plans agreed to. Athlete's level of service access and support will be determined by the selection Committee and the resources available through the program.



6.0 Applicant Form

6.1 Applicant Detail

First Name:		Surname:
D.O.B: (DD/MM/YYYY)	Age: (As of Application)	Gender: (Male/Female/Prefer Not To Say)

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent? (Please Circle Correct Answer)	
Yes	No

Do You Have a Disability? (Please Circle Correct Answer)	
Yes	No

School: (As of 2020)	Year Level: (As of 2020)
Place of Employment: (N/A if Not Applicable)	Sport Applying For:

Residential Address (Residential Only)	
Street Number:	Street Name:
Suburb:	State:
Post Code:	Municipality:
Mob:	Home Telephone: (Please Note Area Code e.g. (03))
Email:	

Postal Address: (If Different to Residential)		
Street Number:	Street Name:	PO Box:
Suburb:	State:	
Post Code:	Municipality:	



6.2 Applicant Health, Wellbeing, Injury, and Illness

Did you sustain any injuries and/or illness that prevented you from attending training and/or competing in 2018/2019? (Please Circle Correct Answer)

YES	NO
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Please list injuries and/or illness sustained:

1.	5.
2.	6.
3.	7.
4.	8.

Nature of injury and/or illness: (If more space is needed please attach documentation)

Treatment/Care Received: (If more space is needed please attach documentation)

Period of time for which training capacity was effected:

Commencement 1.	Conclusion 1.
Commencement 2.	Conclusion 2.
Commencement 3.	Conclusion 3.
Commencement 4.	Conclusion 4.

Current Status of Injury and/or Illness

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Do you currently have private health insurance?

YES	NO
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Name of your private health insurer: (N/A if Not Applicable)

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6.3 Parent/Guardian Details [Primary Contact]

Parent/Guardian Primary:		
First Name:	Surname:	
Residential Address (Residential Only)		
Street Number:	Street Name:	
Suburb:	State:	
Post Code:	Municipality:	
Mob:	Home Telephone: (Please Note Area Code e.g. (03))	
Email:		
Postal Address: (If Different to Residential)		
Street Number:	Street Name:	PO Box:
Suburb:	State:	
Post Code:	Municipality:	



6.3 Parent/Guardian Details [Secondary] Contact

Do you wish to be treated as equal primary contact? (Refers to all communications on behalf of SWAS)

YES

NO

Parent/Guardian Secondary:

First Name:

Surname:

Residential Address (Residential Only)

Street Number:

Street Name:

Suburb:

State:

Post Code:

Municipality:

Mob:

Home Telephone: (Please Note Area Code e.g. (03))

Email:

Postal Address: (If Different to Residential)

Street Number:

Street Name:

PO Box:

Suburb:

State:

Post Code:

Municipality:



6.4 Eligibility and General Information

Are you an Australian Citizen?

YES

NO

Are you registered with a Victorian sporting organization?

YES

NO

Are you an existing SWAS Athlete?

YES

NO

Have you previously held, or do you currently hold a scholarship with your State or National Sport Organization?

YES

NO

Do you receive any financial support from:

National Sport Organization

YES

NO

State Sporting Organization

YES

NO

Other Scholarship/Grant:

YES

NO

6.5 State, National, Regional and Representative Ranking Details

What is the highest level you have represented in the past 3 years?

Australia		Year
Victoria		Year
Regional	(Please specify)	Year
Semi-Professional Club	(Please specify)	Year
Amateur Club	(Please specify)	Year
Other	(Please specify)	Year

Years in which you have been an active State representative: : (Leave any blank if not applicable)

Year	Event (e.g. 100m sprint)	Class (e.g. 80kg class)	Category (e.g. U18)	Aust. Ranking
2017				
2018				
2019				

Years in which you have been an active National representative: : (Leave blank if not applicable)

Year	Event (e.g. 100m sprint)	Class (e.g. 80kg class)	Category (e.g. U18)	Int. Ranking	Youth/Senior
2017					
2018					
2019					



6.6 Performance Details

Please list your top 3 performances in major competitive events attended during the past 18 months. Particular emphasis should be placed on Regional, State, and National events:

Performance Result RANK 1.		Date:
Name of Comp:		Location:
Event: (e.g. 100m sprint)	Category: (e.g. U18)	Class: (e.g. 80kg class)
No. of competitors in event: (Est. or known)	No. of Countries in event: (Est. or known)	
Placing:	Recorded Result: (e.g. Time. Distance, Points)	

Performance Result RANK 2.		Date:
Name of Comp:		Location:
Event: (e.g. 100m sprint)	Category: (e.g. U18)	Class: (e.g. 80kg class)
No. of competitors in event: (Est. or known)	No. of Countries in event: (Est. or known)	
Placing:	Recorded Result: (e.g. Time. Distance, Points)	

Performance Result RANK 3.		Date:
Name of Comp:		Location:
Event: (e.g. 100m sprint)	Category: (e.g. U18)	Class: (e.g. 80kg class)
No. of competitors in event: (Est. or known)	No. of Countries in event: (Est. or known)	
Placing:	Recorded Result: (e.g. Time. Distance, Points)	



6.7 Annual Plan and Future Goals

Please outline your major and/or targeted competitions for 2020:

Date:	Competition:	Location:	Event/Category:

What are your competition and development goals for 2020 and 2021?

List your key performance targets for the next 4-8 years:



6.8 Declaration

I wish to be considered in the Individual Athlete Program, and declare that all the information Submitted on this application form is correct and complete. I understand that the SWAS reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision regarding the selection made on the basis of incorrect or Incomplete information.

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

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For applicants under 18 years of age, the parent, guardian or custodian who is the first legal point of contact must sign below

Name:

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Address:

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State:

Post Code:

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Relationship to Applicant:

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Signature of Applicant:

Date:

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7.0 SWAS Contact Details

For all further information and enquiries please contact;

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