

PSGB

STUDENT-ATHLETE AWARDS

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

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A. PURPOSE

To assist student-athletes competing in Canadian Inter-university Sports (CIS) for either the University of Regina or the University of Saskatchewan, through a provincial awards program in partnership with participating Provincial Sport Governing Bodies (PSGBs), Sask Sport Inc. and the Universities.

B. BACKGROUND

The Universities are an integral component of the sport system in the province. University student-athletes provide a valuable contribution to the communities and the province as they compete and represent the province in athletic competition regionally, nationally, and, in some cases internationally. Each individual student-athlete is unique and brings with them their own brand of special skills and abilities. The basis of the program is to recognize these student-athletes as they continue to compete in CIS sport competition while pursuing their University education in Saskatchewan, and to benefit from their continued contributions to the community.

The PSGB Student-Athlete Awards Program is designed to support student-athletes competing for Saskatchewan universities in CIS competition. The program provides each individual student-athlete who is a member of a University varsity team with a financial award if they meet the established criteria.

C. AWARD GUIDELINES

1. The awards will be recognized by the Universities under the category known as "Provincial Sport Governing Body Athletic Awards".
2. The awards are to be a maximum of \$1000 per year per student-athlete; \$500 will be provided through the appropriate Provincial Sport Governing Body through the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund, and \$500 from the respective University. No athlete may receive more than one award per year (September 1 – August 31).
3. Each Provincial Sport Governing Body is responsible to send their portion of the funding to the respective University's athletic program. The respective University will match that amount and the combined funds will be transferred to the University Awards Office to be credited to each student-athlete's tuition account to a maximum of \$1000.
4. This awards program will be based upon the following CIS recognized team maximums per sport. These numbers will be reviewed annually subject to each University's sport offering.

Sport Maximums	University of Regina		University of Saskatchewan	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Basketball	12	12	12	12
Football	40		40	
Hockey	20	20	20	20
Soccer		18	18	18
Swimming	18	18		
Track & Field/XC	21	21	21	21
Volleyball	12	12	12	12
Wrestling	10	8	10	8

D. STUDENT-ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible to receive a PSGB Student-Athlete Award, the student-athlete must meet the following requirements:

1. The recipient must be free to attend the University of his/her choice within Saskatchewan.
2. The recipient must be a full-time student at the University of Regina or the University of Saskatchewan as defined by that University.
3. First year student-athletes are eligible to receive this award.
4. Continuing student athletes must be students in good academic standing and not be on probation.
5. The recipient must be a member of a CIS team as determined by the University's eligibility roster in the year the award is granted.

E. GRANT PROCEDURES

- Each University must advise Sask Sport Inc. of their anticipated team size by sport no later than October 15th of each year.
- Sask Sport Inc. will pre-approve the grant support to each PSGB, based on the anticipated team size submitted by the Universities on October 15th and forward the maximum eligible grant payment to each PSGB by December 15th annually.
- The PSGB will be responsible to forward full payment of grant support (\$500 per student-athlete) to each respective University's athletic program by December 31st of each year.
- The respective University will match that amount and the combined funds will be transferred to the University Awards Office to be credited to each student-athlete's tuition account.

- The determination of student-athletes eligible for support will be the responsibility of each University.
- Each University is required to submit appropriate follow-up documentation, signed by the Dean and the Athletic Director, to each PSGB (copy to Sask Sport Inc.) by no later than May 15th of each year. The follow-up must include a final list of eligible student-athletes and confirmation that the students listed have complied with eligibility requirements. The Universities must also confirm the accreditation of the grant support to the tuition accounts to the student-athletes which were listed on the final follow up list(s).
- Any unused funds, or funds that are used for purposes that do not adhere to these guidelines, will be required to be returned, by the Universities, to the appropriate Provincial Sport Governing Body who will be responsible to return the funds to the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund.
- If the follow-up documentation confirms that all parties have adhered to the prescribed policies of this grant program, the grant will be complete and the file closed.
- PSGBs must clearly identify this grant support as a separate line item within the revenue and expense summaries of their audited financial statement.