# **ATU Sport**

## ATU Sports Scholarship Programme



The ATU Sports Scholarship programme provides supports to talented student athletes to recognise their need to balance both sporting and academic commitments. Through both financial and non-financial benefits, the ATU Sports Scholarship programme aims to reward students for their dedication and skill and provide them with further opportunities to develop as students and sportspeople.



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Benefits may include:

- Financial Supports of up to €3,000
- Free/Reduced rate Gym Access
- Provision of Strength & Conditioning Support
- Access to Physio Clinics
- Academic Support
- Educational Workshops in Nutrition and Psychology
- Career Support
- Health Support
- Free Sports Gear
- National/International Competition support

### + Eligibility

To be eligible for selection for a Sports Scholarship, the applicant must:

- be eligible for admission to ATU as an undergraduate/postgraduate student for the first time
- be pursuing a full-time course at ATU
- be participating in a sport recognised by Sport Ireland
- be available to compete for the university within their chosen sport
- have demonstrated high achievement in their chosen sport (level of achievement is relevant to the sport) in the last 2 years – See sporting level below.
- demonstrate outstanding ability in their chosen sport and demonstrate an ability to compete at Provincial, National or International level.



#### **Michael Langan**

**ATU Donegal** 

Gaelic Football

BSc (Hons) Sports and Exercise with

Donegal GAA Men's Senior Football



The Sports Scholarship Programme has been of great support to me through my time studying here in Donegal. The academic support alongside the Strength and Conditioning facilities enabled me to combine excelling in my academic course whilst continuing to achieve high levels of performance at elite levels of GAA with Donegal and ATU Donegal.

#### **Lauren Cadden**

ATU Sligo

Athletics

BSc (Hons) in Health Science & Physical Activity

Sligo AC



The ATU Sports Scholarship provided me with great support from day one in the college. The scholarship not only supported me financially but also academically and was a great asset throughout my years in college. It allowed me to keep training at a high intensity and removed any academic or financial stress that can come with college.

#### **Carmel Heery**

ATU Galway

Soccer/Futsal

**BSc Sports and Exercise Science** 

Irish Deaf Women's Football Team



From day 1 right through to 4 years later, the ATU Sports Scholarship provided me with services I needed to support my academic, physical and mental needs here at ATU Galway. It gave me opportunities to get involved with events, compete at a high level and meet new people along the way. I would highly recommend applying for a sports scholarship to help you grow as an athlete, student and person throughout your college experience.

#### **Cianan Fahy**

**ATU Galway** 

Hurling

BSc Sports and Exercise Science Galway GAA Men's Senior Hurling



Currently in my final year in ATU Galway and the support I recieved as part of the ATU Sports Scholarship programme has been unbelievable. I have really enjoyed my time here both in my studies and on the GAA pitch. I couldn't recommend the ATU Sport Scholarship programme highly enough.

#### **Bethany Doocey**

ATU Mayo

Boxing

**BA in Applied Social Care** 

Castlebar Boxing Club & Irish Underage teams



ATU has supported me to reach the highest point of my boxing career. Since joining ATU I have won 2 elite Irish boxing titles, which is every boxers dream. Reaching my goals would not have been possible without the support I received through my scholarship at ATU, they have helped me to find the perfect balance between being an elite athlete and pursuing my studies.

#### **Joesph Keaney**

**ATU Sligo** 

Gaelic Football

B.Bus in Applied Sport with Business Sligo GAA Men's Senior Football



I am beyond grateful for the scholarship I received from ATU as a GAA player. This scholarship has made a huge impact on my athletic journey by providing financial stability, allowing me to focus solely on my performance and training. Not only did I receive top-of-the-line gear, but the facilities and resources provided by ATU Sligo have taken my game to the next level. The state-of-the-art training facilities, coaching support and academic support have been instrumental in my growth as a student-athlete, and I am confident it will do the same for others.

## + Sporting Level

To be eligible for selection for a Sports Scholarship the applicant must have reached a high level of sporting achievement. Examples include:

- be/have been a member of a GAA Intercounty team (Minor, U20 or Senior) and a regular starting player in the current year or in the previous 12-24 months.
- be/have been a member of a League of Ireland/Northern Irish Football League Soccer team and a regular starting player in the current year.
- be/have been a member of an Irish
  International Underage Basketball panel or
  Academy or National League team and a
  regular starting player in the current year or in
  the previous 18 months.
- be/have been a member of a team sport competing at comparable levels to the examples above and displayed outstanding potential and a regular starting player in the current year or in the previous 18 months.
- have demonstrated an ability to compete at National Level in an individual sport

### + How to Apply

This is simple and straightforward! Complete the application form before the closing date. Further information on

www.atu.ie/sports-scholarships



## + Sports Scholarship Benefits

Applications for the ATU Sports Scholarships will firstly be assessed against eligibility criteria. Once this is achieved the application will be entered into an ATU Sports Scholarship Scoring Matrix. The Sports Scholarship Committee will recommend:

- Offer Gold, Silver or Bronze
- Reserve List
- Do not offer

Where necessary, the Sports Scholarship Committee may request an applicant to attend for interview, where further information/clarification is required.





The Sports Scholarship at ATU provided me with the training opportunities and funding to allow me to succeed in the sport of surfing. In 2018 I was selected to represent Ireland in the Celtic Cup in Scotland and with the help of the Sport Scholarship I was able to fulfil one of my lifelong dreams of representing Ireland in a short board senior category. Without the support I received through the scholarship this would not have happened. The scholarship insured that I could follow the necessary training program through access to Gym and Pool which kept me on track to compete at International level.

#### **Emma Dolan**

ATU Donegal

Karate

HC Health Science with Dietetics Studies Irish Karate Junior and Senior Team

The financial support provided by the Sports Scholarship Programme has assisted me greatly in my time here at ATU Donegal. The academic support which I acquired has enabled me to make a comfortable transition into third level which I am grateful for,. The scholarship has supported me to compete internationally on the European and World stage.



#### +Further information

If you would like further information or would like to discuss the scholarship programme in more detail, please contact **sport@atu.ie** 



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