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Queen's Sport – Student Sport Hardship Fund

Support by the Clifford Arbuthnot Benefaction (CA Fund)

The Queen's Sport 'Student Sport Hardship Fund' is supported by funding from the University's Clifford Arbuthnot Benefaction Fund and is available to provide amenities to any individual, club/society to defray expenses they incur in furthering Queen's University in becoming a world class university through the value of sport.

There are three programmes of funding available for the 2022-23 academic year:

1. Representative Funding for Individual Students or Sports Clubs competing for Queen's in National and International recognised competitions, events, and tournaments.
2. Club or Society Initiatives, programmes and events that provide opportunities for students to improve, well-being through participation in sport or physical activity.
3. Club or Society initiatives, programmes or events that promote inclusion, diversity and learning by raising awareness through sport and providing opportunities for underrepresented groups and individuals to take part in sport.

Since its launch in 2016, the CA Fund has contributed almost £40,000 to more than 30 clubs and societies, as well as supporting over 40 individual athletes competing at national and international events.

Maximum Awards of £1,000 are available to individuals, clubs, or societies during this academic year (2022/23). [Click here](#) for each programme award criteria and how to apply.

Programmes we have funded.

- In 2016 David Leavy was one of fourteen athletes selected to represent Great Britain Disability Football Association to compete in the Rio Paralympics games.
- Queen's Athletics club play an integral role in hosting the Deep River Rock annual 3k and 5k road race at Queen's Sport. In 2019, the club were successfully awarded funding aimed at increasing student participation in both races.
- The Caving club were funded to upskill four students in an accredited Cave Leadership training course. As a result of having more qualified leaders, the club were able have smaller focused groups during activities improving student experience and well-being.
- Following a very successful campaign in 2017-18, Ladies Hockey reached the play offs and subsequently qualified for the EY Irish Hockey league in 2018-19.

Criteria for Awards

All candidates must clearly indicate which programme they are applying to within their application form.

Programme 1

Representative Funding for Individual Students or Sports Clubs competing for Queen's University in National and International recognised competitions, events, and tournaments.

Applications for this programme must demonstrate:

- 'Hardship' through supporting documentation that is required to support application, e.g. National Governing Body Funding, matched funding, or other sources of funding.
- Profile to Queen's Sport and the University

*Queen's Sport may select which competitions, events and tournaments are funded based on their significance and profile for the University. These may include competitions such as BUCS, EUSA, WUG's and other recognised local, national, and international competitions.

Programme 2

Club or Society Initiatives, programmes and events that provide opportunities for students to improve, well-being through participation in sport or physical activity.

Programme 3

Club or Society initiatives, programmes or events that promote diversity, inclusion and learning by raising awareness through sport by working with underrepresented students, groups, and the wider community.

Awards will be made to a Club or Society under Programme 2 or 3 that can demonstrate the following:

- Have been in existence for more than two years.
- Meet all Active Club Criteria as listed in the 'Student Club Pathway Guide'.
- A full financial breakdown of how the award will be used and the associated costs should be submitted.
- Impact of Project to targeted groups.
- Project Objectives and Measurable Outcomes
- Timeline for Project

Application Process and Conditions

The CA Fund will **not** support:

- individual requests for maintenance fees or scholarships
- project staff costs
- political parties or religious groups
- pressure groups
- charities

The application process is now open and will close on Friday 12th May 2023 at 4pm.

To apply please click [here](#)

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