

FISU WORLD UNIVERSITY TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

The FISU World University Triathlon Championships 2024 will take place in Gdansk, Poland with competition dates of the 30 August 2024 to 31 August 2024.

British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) is sanctioning a GB Students delegation as National University Sports Federation (NUSF) to represent the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The delegation is anticipated to arrive in Gdansk Lech Walesa Airport on Wednesday 28 August 2024 and depart on Tuesday 1 September 2024.

Nominations

All athletes who wish to be considered for selection must submit an online registration on the [BUCS website](#) by 11.59pm on 12 July 2024. All nominations will be open from 7 June 2024.

Any athlete who fails to complete the online registration and submit the supporting document (IANA form) by the deadline may not be considered for selection. Please note that this process will necessitate your university confirming your eligibility in writing on a template form, and this being received by BUCS by the stated deadline.

Selections

Selections will take place by **17 July 2024**

Selected athletes will be notified by email **the week beginning 22 July 2024**

Athlete Costs

The cost of participation in this event will be in the region of £995 excluding flights and will be required in full at the point of selection. Athletes submitting a nomination acknowledge this requirement and accept financial liability including in the case of withdrawal related to injury or illness. Any unrecoverable costs will be passed on to British Triathlon.

At FISU World University Championships the cost of the Team Coach will be covered by British Triathlon. This is reflected in the above amount. Students from universities not included as part of the BUCS membership will pay an additional £200 surcharge.

Anti-Doping

All athletes must complete the UKAD Complete Clean+ eLearning course and upload a copy of their course certificate upon nomination. The **Complete Clean+** eLearning can be accessed for free via the [UKAD Clean Sport Hub](#). Once registered, athletes can click onto the relevant eLearning and complete the modules at their convenience. **Complete Clean+** contains 11 modules which explore Anti-Doping topics including athletes' rights under the World Anti-Doping Code, UK Anti-Doping Rules, the Prohibited List, checking medications and supplements, the Testing Process and how to report concerns around doping in sport.

Eligibility Criteria

For an individual to be eligible to represent BUCS/GB Students they shall:

INT 1.1.1 Be a British (United Kingdom) national.

INT 1.1.2 Be a registered student at an institution which is a recognised provider of Higher Education (HE).

AND

INT 1.1.3 Be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event

AND

INT 1.1.4 Be registered on a course which is at or above one of the following minimum levels:

- Level 4 on the Framework for higher education qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland (FHEQ).
- Level 7 on the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF).
- Level 4 on the Regulated Qualifications Framework for England and Northern Ireland (RQF).
- Level 4 on the Credit and Qualifications Framework for Wales (CQFW).

INT 1.1.4.1 An individual at an institution outside of the UK shall be registered on a course equivalent to those covered under INT 1.1.4.

AND

INT 1.1.5 Be undertaking a study programme equivalent to:

- Where the course is credit rated under CATS (Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme), at least 60 credits per year.
- Where the course is run using guided learning hours, a minimum of 225 hours per year.
- Where the course is a postgraduate course which is not credit rated, no less than 50% of the full-time student programme per year.

INT 1.1.5.1 A year will be taken as 12 months from the start date of their course.

INT 1.1.5.2 An individual at an institution outside of the UK shall be undertaking a study programme equivalent to the requirements of INT 1.1.5.

AND

INT 1.1.6 Be a player who is permitted by the International or National Governing Body of the sport concerned to participate in FISU competition alongside any other competition in that sport.

INT 1.2 Special cases for participation Further to any FISU regulations in place at the time, the following individuals are classified as eligible to represent BUCS/GB Students in FISU competitions:

INT 1.2.1 Notwithstanding INT 1.1.5, an individual who is otherwise eligible under INT 1.1 on a sandwich/industrial placement as part of their course is eligible during this time.

INT 1.2.2 A former student of an eligible institution (as per INT 1.1.2) who has obtained an eligible qualification (as per INT 1.1.4) from said institution in the calendar year preceding the event. For this event Students graduating in 2023 will be eligible to compete in 2024, as former students who have obtained their qualification in the calendar year preceding the event.

See also detailed eligibility information at the end of this document in **Appendix 1**.

Please note that any athlete who is currently suspended or expelled by FISU, WADA, International or National Federation is ineligible for selection.

Sports Criteria

SECTION 1: BTF ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for nomination to the Championships athletes need to meet **ALL** the stated eligibility criteria (British Triathlon, BUCS and FISU) in full.

- 1.1 **Nominate themselves** for selection via the [BUCS website](#) and in so doing **detail where they believe they have met the listed selection criteria (2.4.1 [i-xxiv])** AND ensure the following [i-ii] are in place by **12 July 2024**;
 - a. Be a member in good standing of a Home Nation Triathlon Association which is a member of the BTF and eligible to represent Great Britain in international championships under the rules of World Triathlon;
 - i. Have undergone the required World Triathlon Pre-Participation Examination and submitted the BTF Fit-To-Compete (FTC) form; **AND**
 - ii. Have completed the UKAD Compete Clean + e-learning course AND uploaded the certificate of completion to the World Triathlon education hub;
 - b. In respect of nomination for the female event, be an athlete who was registered as a female at birth. See the BTF Transgender Policy [HERE](#); AND
 - c. Not be serving a period of ineligibility as a result of an anti-doping rule violation.

SECTION 2: SELECTION PROCESS - INDIVIDUAL EVENT

- 2.1 A team of 4 male and 4 female athletes will be selected for the individual male and female events on or before 17 July.
- 2.2 Athletes must inform BTF immediately if there is any change to the information provided on their FTC (see paragraph 1.1.1[i]) after its submission. If information disclosed by the FTC suggests increased risk of racing, or if the Panel are made aware of any potentially significant medical conditions that were not disclosed by the athlete, the Panel reserves the right not to nominate the athlete to this event or withdraw them from the start list.
- 2.3 **Selections**
 - 2.3.1 Eligible athletes who have achieved one or more of the following criteria at the point of nomination will be considered for selection to the FISU World University Championships.

In the 2023 and/or 2024 season:

- i. A podium at the Tokyo Olympic Games; OR
- ii. A podium at the WTCS Grand Final; OR
- iii. Multiple WTCS podiums; OR
- iv. A podium at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games; OR
- v. A top 5 at the Tokyo Olympic Games; OR
- vi. A podium in a WTCS race; OR
- vii. A top 5 in a WTCS race; OR
- viii. Multiple podiums at European Standard Distance Championship / European Games / World U23 Championship / WC races; OR
- ix. A top 8 in a WTCS race; OR
- x. A podium in the European Standard Distance Championship / European Games / World U23 Championship / a WC race; OR
- xi. A top 5 in the European Standard Distance Championship / European Games / World U23 Championship / a WC race; OR
- xii. Multiple podiums at European Sprint Championship / European U23 Championship / World Junior Championship / European Cup races; OR
- xiii. Multiple top 15's in a WTCS race; OR
- xiv. A top 8 in the European Standard Distance Championship / European Games / World U23 Championship / a WC race; OR

In the 12 months prior to the nomination deadline:

- xv. A podium in the European Sprint Distance Championships / European U23 Championships / World Junior Championships / a European Cup race; OR
 - xvi. A top 5 in the European Sprint Distance Championships / European U23 Championships / World Junior Championships / a European Cup race; OR
 - xvii. Multiple podiums at BTF Senior Super Series races/ European Junior Championship; OR
 - xviii. A top 8 in the European Sprint Distance Championships / European U23 Championships / World Junior Championships / a European Cup race; OR
 - xix. A podium in a BTF Senior Super Series race / European Junior Championship; OR
 - xx. Multiple Top 5's in a BTF Super Series race; OR
 - xxi. A top 5 in a BTF Super Series race (see table in section one) / European Junior Championship / Winner of the BUCS Sprint Triathlon; OR
 - xxii. Multiple Top 8's in a BTF Super Series race; OR
 - xxiii. A top 8 in a BTF Super Series race / European Junior Championship / Podium at BUCS Sprint; OR
- b. Upon completion of selection across 2.4.1 [i-xxiv] should there still be places available the panel will then consider the following;
- i. A top 12 in a BTF Super Series race / European Junior Championship / Top 5 at BUCS Sprint

2.3.2 Should more athletes meet the criteria outlined at 2.3.1 [i-xxiv] than there are quota slots available athletes will be ranked according to the priority order at which criteria has been achieved and those with the highest rank selected to the team.

- i. If multiple athletes have the same level of performance at 2.3.1 [i-xxiv] and/or 2.3.1.b [i] the Panel will determine what they consider to be that athlete's best performance and then rank athletes accordingly, selecting to the team the athlete(s) who are ranked highest.

NB all results in BTF Super Series races are considered as overall in the entire field they are not age category specific i.e., the result includes ALL categories racing; seniors, juniors and youth B's as relevant.

SECTION 3: SELECTION PROCESS - MIXED RELAY (MR)

- 3.1 Only those athletes who travel to the FISU World University Championships will be eligible for nomination to the MR event.
- 3.2 By selecting 4 men and 4 women BTF hopes to select 2 MR teams. The final selection of these two teams will be made by the coach at the Championships in collaboration with at least 1 other member of the Panel. This will be done following conclusion of the individual events.
- 3.3 Selection of the team will be **entirely discretionary** and will be based on a combination of the following, as well as any other criteria that may be deemed relevant by the Panel:
 - a. The individual profile of each athlete and how it relates to the course profile, competition and desired race tactics to maximise race outcomes and/or race learning
 - b. Result in the individual events¹;
 - c. Athletes' state of recovery and readiness following the individual events (taking into account injury and recovery history prior to the Championships);
 - d. Athletes' race plan; AND
 - e. Athletes' previous MR experience.

Note 1: The outcome or result of the individual event will **NOT** infer any automatic selection to Mixed Relay team.

SECTION 4: ALTERNATIVE SELECTION RACE PROVISIONS & CONDITIONS

- 4.1 Any selections (as per paragraph 2.4.1) will not apply if, in the opinion of the Panel, the results of the race in which an athlete achieved a performance that qualified them consideration was significantly impacted by:
 - a. Significantly reduced quality of field (QOF) e.g., due to Covid related complications or other similar issue; OR
 - b. Environmental conditions/exceptional circumstances which resulted in an altered or reduced race format; OR
 - c. A large-scale racing incident (such as a crash); OR
 - d. an anomalous incident, usually completely outside of the athletes' control (such as a stray dog/vehicle on the course) – please note, this does **NOT** include individual mechanical issues.
- 4.2 Where this is the case, the panel will defer to the athletes next best result within the listed criteria at paragraph 2.4.1 [i-xxiv]. If an athlete does not have another result the Panel will be unable to consider them further.

Selection Panel

The Selection Panel ("the Panel") will convene either via email or conference call in advance of this deadline and shall comprise: Voting members;

- i. BTF Performance Director – Mike Cavendish
- ii. BTF Olympic Pathway Manager - Dan Salcedo;
- iii. BTF Olympic Support Coach – Glenn Cook



iv.

BUCS
Marc Forrest (non-voting)



International Performance Manager -



- b) Non-voting members:
i. Note taker(s) if/as required.

Appeals

There shall be no right of appeal against the selection decisions made by the Panel under this Policy. The provisions of the BTF Selection and Nomination Appeals Procedure do not apply to the individual or MR selections for the 2024 FISU World University Championships. However, athletes who feel that they should have been selected are encouraged to contact the Panel to discuss their case. In addition, any athlete who wishes to seek independent advice regarding the selection process in general are advised to contact the British Athletes Commission (BAC) at www.britishathletes.org.

Amendment

In the event that any unforeseen circumstance makes any provision of this Policy unworkable or ineffective to promote the aims of the Policy, the BTF will be entitled to amend this Policy so that the aims can be secured. Any amended version will be made available at www.britishtriathlon.org.

Appendix 1 - Eligibility for FISU World University Championships 2024

INT 1.1 Eligible participants Further to any FISU regulations in place at the time, for an individual to be eligible to represent BUCS/GB Students in FISU competitions they shall:

INT 1.1.1 Be a British (United Kingdom) national.

INT 1.1.2 Be a registered student at an institution which is a recognised provider of Higher Education (HE).

AND

INT 1.1.3 Be within the age range limits for the specific event they are attending, as set by FISU.

AND

INT 1.1.4 Be registered on a course which is at or above one of the following minimum levels:

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AND

INT 1.1.6 Be a player who is permitted by the International or National Governing Body of the sport concerned to participate in FISU competition alongside any other competition in that sport.

AND

INT 1.1.7 Meet the Sport Specific Eligibility Requirements as defined in the individual competition selection policy for that competition

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INT 1.2.3 A student who would otherwise be eligible under INT 1.1. who has their studies suspended will not be eligible to compete until such a time as their studies recommence.

INT 1.3 Transgender athletes BUCS promotes a zero-tolerance approach to transphobia and any person or institution found to be in contravention of this regulation will face disciplinary action under REG 5.

INT 1.3.1 For FISU competitions, the policy on transgender participation of FISU and/or the International Federation whose sport specific regulations are being followed shall apply.

INT 1.3.2 Drug testing procedures and prohibitions, as outlined in INT 1.4, also apply to athletes who identify as transgender. Any athlete receiving treatment involving a Prohibited Substance or Method, as described on the World Anti-Doping Agency's Prohibited List, should apply for a standard Therapeutic Use Exemption.

INT 1.4 Anti-Doping All participants in FISU competitions are subject to the Anti-Doping rules of UK Anti-Doping (UKAD), the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), FISU, and the specific sport's International and/or National Governing Body. As such:

INT 1.4.1 All participants are subject to testing.

INT 1.4.2 Any individual who is serving a suspension as a result of an Anti-Doping rule violation will not be eligible to participate in any FISU competitions.



INT 1.5 Allowing ineligible participants to represent an institution will result in appropriate disciplinary action being taken. Athletic Union or equivalent staff should in cases of doubt refer the circumstances to the BUCS Sport Compliance and Governance Manager.