



British Fencing Summer World University Games 2017 Selection Policy

1. Eligibility for World University Competition 2016/17

FISU Criteria (General)

FISU Regulations 5.2.1

Only the following may participate as competitors in a FISU Sporting Event:

- i) Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute whose status is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country (e.g. the Department of Education in the UK).
- ii) Former students of the institutions mentioned in (i) who have obtained their academic degree/diploma in the year preceding the event. i.e. students graduating in 2016/17 are eligible to compete.

FISU Regulations 5.2.3

All competitors must satisfy the following conditions:

- i) be a national of the country they represent (therefore hold a full 10 year UK passport)
- ii) be at least 17 and less than 28 years of age on January 1st in the year of the event (born between 1 January 1989 and 31 December 1999)

Students studying abroad are eligible for selection provided they satisfy FISU regulations 5.2.1 and 5.2.3

Students attending courses franchised out from an institution [complying with FISU Regulations 5.2.1 (i)] are eligible for selection providing they also satisfy FISU Regulation 5.2.3.



2. BUCS Criteria (Academic)

The minimum level of study has been set at Level 4 of the Framework for Higher Education Qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, or equivalent. Level 4 is equivalent to Higher National Certificates (HNC) and Certificates of Higher Education (CertHE).

Exemptions to permit the selection of student athletes studying below Level 4 can be considered where :

1. The student still meets the FISU regulation 5.2.1.i) above
2. There is no direct financial implication to BUCS
3. It can be demonstrated that this inclusion encourages additional benefit to Level 4 students

The inclusion of students studying below Level 4 should not be at the expense of a student studying at Level 4 or above.



3. British Fencing Performance Criteria

Expression of interest to be sent to maxine.mccombie@britishfencing.com before 31st March 2017.

To qualify for consideration for selection Athletes must have achieved either:

- (1) A **L16** in a Senior World Cup Individual Event between 1st September 2016 and 13th April 2017 **or a L32** at the Senior European or World Championships 2016; OR
- (2) A **L8** place in a Junior World Cup Individual Event, Junior World Championships or Junior European Championships between 1st September 2016 and 13th April 2017; OR
- (3) A **L8** place as part of a Team competing in a Senior World Cup Team Event between 1st September 2016 and 13th April 2017 or at the Senior European or World Championships 2016; OR
- (4) A **Medal** in the Team event at the Junior World or European Championships between 1st September 2016 and 13th April 2017.

N.B. (1) and (2) are on the proviso that these results have led to the athlete finishing at least in the top half of the entered field; (3) on the proviso that the team won through at least one direct elimination round.

Codicils to the above would be: Qualification via criteria (3) and (4) is only applicable to the qualification of a team to compete in the WUG - it cannot be used to qualify an individual where no team is fencing; and British Fencing reserves the right to downgrade an event which is not deemed to be of a sufficiently high standard for the purposes of qualification.

Any athlete who has not met the performance criteria stated for automatic qualification shall have no right of appeal against non-selection.

The selection date will be the **14th April 2017**.