



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Sport and Recreation**

P A T H W A Y
Career Development in Sport & Recreation

Application Package – Semester 1, 2011

Sport & Recreation Career Pathways Program

Student Futures Package



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Program Overview

The Career Pathways Program Student Futures Package is a sport & recreation industry program that aims to provide current students in Western Australia with networking and professional development opportunities to further enhance their ability to become a quality part of the workforce.

Program Package

The program will provide selected participants with the following:

- Two professional development workshops on varying topics;
- Attendance at a specialised industry networking event;
- Assistance to complete training courses or workshops specific to their individual development needs;
- Official recognition of selection and participation in the program.

Selected participants are also required to undertake the following:

- A volunteer project of at least 20 hours over the January-June program period;
- Submit a simple journal regarding their volunteering experiences.

Please be prepared to attend sessions throughout the months of January to June 2011, as a part of the program. It is expected that selected participants attend all organised events.

Who can apply?

Students in Western Australia who are enrolled in a sport and recreation related course of ***at least*** a Certificate III or first-year tertiary level or above, and can demonstrate a genuine interest and commitment to developing a career in the sport and recreation industry.

Please be aware that all program events will be held in Perth. Regional applications will be accepted, however please note that travel expenses to and from Perth for program events are the responsibility of the applicant.

Past unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to apply.

Please see the Application Guidelines section for further details on eligibility.

Application Guidelines

It is essential that all applicants read and understand this entire document to ensure that they provide themselves with the best opportunity to be successful in gaining selection into the program.

Selection Criteria

Eligible applicants will be assessed on their demonstrated interest and commitment to a career in the sport and recreation industry. This interest and commitment must be demonstrated sufficiently through all parts of this application.

Eligibility

Applicants must conform to all of the below requirements to be eligible for the program. Please contact Catherine Tate if you wish to discuss your eligibility.

Course level

Applicants must be studying a course of at least Certificate III level or higher. (*E.g. Cert. III in Fitness, first/second/third/fourth year university, graduate diploma, postgraduate, masters etc*).

Course subject

Must be a sport or recreation related course. (*E.g. Sports management, sports science, sport recreation and event management, fitness, P.E teaching, outdoors, leisure management etc*).

Course duration

Applicants must be studying for the whole of Semester 1, 2011.

Location

Applicants must be studying in Western Australia.

Citizenship

Applicants must be an Australian citizen, Australian permanent humanitarian visa holder, Australian permanent resident visa holder or a New Zealand citizen.

Employment

Those deemed to be classed as employees of the Department of Sport & Recreation (DSR) are ineligible to apply.

Ineligible: scenarios below are examples of those ineligible to apply.

- Those employed in a contract position by DSR or those on the DSR Camps Casual Pool.
- Those studying a Certificate I or Certificate II level course.
- Those who will not be continuing study throughout January-June 2011.

Submission

Please complete and return all five pages of the application form document, and ensure all relevant attachments are enclosed.

In order for your application to be considered, the Department of Sport and Recreation must receive your application no later than **4pm on Friday 12 November 2010**.

Please send your completed application to:

Attention: Catherine Tate
Department of Sport and Recreation
PO Box 329, LEEDERVILLE WA 6903
catherine.tate@dsr.wa.gov.au

We regret that DSR cannot be responsible for incomplete or late applications. Incomplete applications or those received later than 4pm on 12 November 2010 will not be considered.

Assessment and selection of applicants

Applications will be assessed by a panel of representatives from the Department of Sport and Recreation and key sport and recreation industry bodies.

All aspects of your application will be assessed, including content, layout and grammar.

Notification

All applicants will be notified of the result of their application in December 2010.

Successful applicants will be advised by phone. Unsuccessful applicants will be advised in writing.

All applicants are encouraged to seek feedback on their application. Details of how to do this will be advised.

Acceptance into Program

Acceptance of selection into the Career Pathways Program Student Futures package implies a commitment to attend all organised program events. If selected into the program and you are unable to attend any events, all efforts must be made to provide the program coordinator with as much prior notice as possible.