



**11<sup>th</sup> World University Equestrian Championships 2014**

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## **Team Ireland Rider Selection Criteria and Supporting Information**



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### **Introduction**

Student Sport Ireland is the sole sanctioning body responsible for identifying, selecting and organising Irish teams and individuals to attend the 2014 FISU World University Championships.

### **Events**

<b>Individual Tournament</b>	<b>Team Tournament</b>
Dressage	Dressage
Jumping	Jumping
Individual Combined	Team Combined
Classification	Classification

### **Participation**

Each country may enter a maximum of nine (9) persons of which four (4) competitors and five (5) officials.

In each event, each country is authorised to enter: a maximum of four (4) riders of whom only three (3) may compete.

The dressage and jumping events will be organised following the "knock out" system from which the combined classification will be established.

### **2014 World University Equestrian Championship Selection**

The following criteria has been submitted by the appointed Team Manager following consultation with Horse Sport Ireland Equestrian Sport Coordinator. The criteria is

1. Riders must have frequently competed at the required levels over 2012 & 2013;
2. Competed to a minimum of 1.30m level both nationally and internationally at show jumping events;
3. Competed to Prix St. George level either at national and international dressage events;
4. Competed to Two Star eventing both at national and international events ( CCI\*\*, CIC\*\* or CNC\*\*)

### **Rider Selection**

The Team Manager will submit to Student Sport Ireland the student rider list for participation at the Championships. SSI High Performance Committee, aided by the selection criteria outlined above and

student athlete nomination forms submitted (see below), will review each student rider nominated individually and adopt her/his nomination as appropriate.

1. The Team Manager will nominate eligible riders who have achieved the selection criteria, within the timeframe allowed, to be considered for selection for the WUC by SSI HPC;
2. All students being considered to participate at the WUCs must meet the FISU and SSI Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions published on the SSI web site. Please click on the following link to view the eligibility criteria: [SSI Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions](#);
3. Students who meet the criteria can be nominated for consideration by either their college or NGB. All students nominated must complete and submit a student nomination form for the SSI HPC to review and ratify where appropriate.

Ultimately the decision of whether a student rider is selected on the team that travels to the Championships rests with SSI High Performance Committee.

#### **Nomination Forms:**

To establish that individual riders meet the above selection criteria, FISU and SSI Eligibility Criteria and to subsequently facilitate submission of his/her Nominative Entry Forms to FISU all members of the delegation will be required to submit to Student Sport Ireland:

- a completed stamped and signed hard copy of SSI's Nomination Form;
- two passport photos
- a copy his/her passport page and
- in the case of the athletes completed academic eligibility form stamped by the college registrar's office.

*Please note that unsigned and unstamped forms will not be processed and returned.*

**Age:** The competitors must be at least 17 and less than 28 years of age on 1st January 2014.

**Delegation:** Each country may enter a maximum of nine (9) persons of which four (4) competitors and five (5) officials.

**Funding:** Student Sport Ireland itself will not be in a position to provide any funding to support riders participating at WUCs.

Ultimately the cost of participation is the responsibility of the rider but in many instances the NGB does provide significant support. In addition the rider's college may be in a position to also support his/her participation. It is advised that athletes under consideration approach their Sports Officer in their college to indicate their interest in participating in the event at the earliest opportunity and to determine if the College may be in a position to support their participation.

The costs associated with participation at the Championships include but not limited to:

- Flights (to be booked by NGB or Team Manager);
- Participation Fee: €60 per person per day (included transfers, accommodation and meals);
- Travel Insurance: €25 approx.
- FISU Registration Fee (€20 per person);
- Student Sport Ireland Admin Fee (€75 for SSI member students, €150 for non SSI member students);
- Walk Out Polo shirt (approx. €40)
- Competition Gear (sourced via NGB).

Without exception Student Sport Ireland will not facilitate payment of any fees and costs due until it first has received into its account all monies due.