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Achievements

The University of Strathclyde Badminton first team compete in the highest BUCS competition in Scotland. Current Badminton players on the Performance Sport Scholarship Programme include Scotland Senior National players Alex Dunn, Adam Pringle, Rachel Andrew, Sarah Sidebottom and Rachel Sugden. In addition, amongst its Alumni include graduates Michelle Douglas, Watson Briggs and Caitlin Pringle, who represented Scotland at the 2006, 2010 and 2014 Commonwealth Games, respectively.

Support Services

Individualised year-round strength and conditioning support is provided by highly experienced practitioners. Additionally, FOCUSport athletes have the opportunity to attend Athlete Lifestyle Workshops covering topics such as: Anti-Doping and Media Training.

World-Class Training Facilities

The University of Strathclyde houses eight full-size courts spread over two adjoining sports halls. Both sports halls utilise a blue state-of-the-art combined elastic flooring system which is designed to reduce injuries by dissipating impact forces without accentuating fatigue. Additionally, walls and lighting are designed to provide maximum contrast to a fast moving shuttle, making it an ideal training and competition facility for Badminton.

Coaching

All FOCUSport training sessions are delivered by University of Strathclyde Alumnist and former 2014 and 2018 Commonwealth Games player, Patrick MacHugh.

In addition to the support offered to top tier athletes competing in FOCUSports, the University offers Performance Sport Scholarships to World-Class athletes. Performance Sport Scholars are provided with a comprehensive support package equating to a cash equivalent of up to $\pounds 4,750$ per year funded by Strathclyde Sport and through generous donations from the University of Strathclyde Alumni Community.

Academic Flexibility

Where the course lends itself, the Programme Co-Ordinator willwork with Performance Sport Scholars and the academic faculties and departments to facilitate a flexible approach to academic studies and assessments around major sporting competitions. This individualised mentoring approach is designed to support the attainment of simultaneous scholarly and sporting success.

Accommodation

So that it is convenient for athletes to attend early morning training sessions, Halls of Residence are situated just a short 5-minute walk from Strathclyde Sport Facility and all students in University accommodation receive free membership to Strathclyde Sport.

Location

Situated in the heart of Glasgow's vibrant City Centre and less than a 15-minute drive from the National Badminton Academy. Glasgow is only a one-hour flight to London, and has great transport links to the rest of the UK, Europe and further afield. Furthermore, our campus is a short walk from two mainline railway stations and the Underground to help you get around the city.

Arrange a Visit

If you are an ambitious student-athlete, with aspirations of maximising your academic and Sporting potential simultaneously then we would love to hear from you. Please contact Anne-Marie Hughes (Assistant Head of Sport) for more information.

