

General Conditions Governing the Award of UCD Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarships

1. University College Dublin will award a number of Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarships to students entering the University each academic year. These athletes will become members of the UCD Ad Astra Elite Sports Academy.
2. Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarships are awarded on the basis of an interview process during the spring preceding September entry and performance in the Leaving Certificate or agreed international equivalent, as agreed from time to time by Academic Council.
3. To qualify for the Scholarship, eligible candidates must be registered on a programme in University College Dublin.
4. Students will not be eligible to defer their UCD Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarship offer. Students who wish to defer an academy place will be asked to reapply through the normal application procedures.
5. No age limit will apply.
6. Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarships are not considered finalised until after (i) first year registration and (ii) receipt of the amended Leaving Certificate results from the Department of Education and Science at the conclusion of the appeals process (*Usually Mid-October*).
7. The decision of the Governing Authority as to the eligibility of any candidate, or the awarding of, withholding of, or any deduction to be made from, the Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarship shall be final and conclusive.
8. The holder of an Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarship, to be known as an 'Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholar', will, in addition, be given priority in the allocation of places in the UCD residences. **NB** Scholars must still apply as normal for accommodation through SIS web.
9. In the event of a student qualifying for more than one major scholarship, the scholarship(s) will be awarded but the student will receive the financial benefits only from the scholarship of their choice.
10. An Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholar who leaves the University before the end of the session may be required to repay the amount received in respect of that session.
11. Ad Astra Elite Sports Scholarships are awarded subject to UCD Admissions - Ad Astra Entry requirements.