



## Frequently Asked Questions

# RIT Dubai Athletic Scholarship

The Athletic Scholarship offered by the Student Affairs Office is awarded to talented student athletes who excel in sports, exhibit good sportsmanship, dedication and establish a record of consistent participation. The scholarship aims to encourage student participation, develop sports at the university and promote the role of athletics.

**ONLY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ARE PART OF THE VARSITY ATHLETIC TEAMS ARE ELIGIBLE.**

**Prospective students** - The scholarship entitles the recipient to an award of up to 50 percent tuition. Requirements:

- Submit two videos (1 highlight & 1 full game video) or attend a tryout.
- A document that has your history as a player, strengths, past successes, athletic skills.
- Reference letter from PE teachers and coaches.

**Current students** - The scholarship entitles the recipient to an award of up to 10 percent tuition. Requirements:

- Attend tryout during the first two weeks of the semester.
  - Students that already have scholarships (academic, work study, financial aid, others.) may not be eligible for the entire athletic scholarship based on current scholarships awarded.
  - Scholarships for other sports needs approval and planning with the Athletic Officer a year in advance.

### What is an athletic scholarship?

- An athletic scholarship is an amount of financial aid awarded to a student athlete. Athletic scholarships are awarded based on athletic abilities. The athletic scholarship committee rewards the scholarships.
- Athletic Scholarships are awarded to outstanding student-athletes and evaluation of the athletic committee.



### **How can I apply for the RIT Dubai's Athletic Scholarship and what is the process of my application form?**

- Athletic scholarships are subject to students meeting and maintaining the eligibility criteria.
- There will be assessments conducted by the coaches for student-athletes during the first 2 weeks of September. Attendance is mandatory.
- The Athletics Officer will review all applications forms and assessments along with the coaches.
- The Scholarship committee awards the scholarships.

### **Who is eligible to apply?**

- Student athletes must be registered for a minimum of 12 credit hours during the semester they are receiving the scholarship.
- Students will have to pass the various tests conducted by the coaches to qualify for an Athletic Scholarship.
- If a student has a full scholarship or has existing financial aid that is the maximum amount the university awards, the student would not be eligible for any additional scholarship including the athletic scholarship.
- Current students that have not been involved in formal conduct hearings on campus with the Student Affairs Office and found to be guilty.
- Undergraduate students who are enrolled in the master classes will require the approval of the athletic officer to avail an athletic scholarship due to their classes being held in the evening in which practices take place. One of the requirements for an athletic scholarship is that a student athlete should attend 85%-90% of all practices and games in a semester. (please refer to the student athlete handbook for more information).

### **How long does the scholarship last for?**

- Athletics scholarships are one-year scholarships and are renewed, however are subject to review each semester. All scholarships are subject to students meeting and maintaining the eligibility criteria.
- Student athletes planning to graduate in Fall are eligible for a semester only scholarship during their final year.



### Can I lose my scholarship?

- At the end of every semester, a review by the Athletic Officer will determine if an athletic scholarship is to remain or be removed.
- Athletic Scholarship holders will no longer be entitled to retain their scholarship if your CGPA drops below the 2.5 requirement, if you play unfairly in your sport, if you fail to attend 85%-90% of all practices and games during the semester without a valid reason, have a violation of student code of conduct or a violation of the academic code of conduct. In other words, if you have been involved in a formal conduct hearing and or an academic conduct hearing and found guilty, your scholarship will be removed.
- If you fail to meet the requirements above, your scholarship will be removed entirely, which includes the current semester.
- You will receive a written notice sent to your university email if your scholarship is removed.
- There is no negotiation for any of the above.

### What happens to my scholarship if I get injured?

- In case of an injury occurred ONLY while playing for RIT during practices or games, athletic scholarships will not be removed. However, the student should stay involved within the team and sport in some capacity. Depending on the injury, players should still attend practice and continue to meet the athletic scholarship requirements. All such cases must be discussed and approved by the Athletic Officer.