Scholarships for Student-Athletes

“Giving someone the opportunity to experience and compete in interuniversity athletics through the athletic scholarships program is an investment in shaping citizens and leaders of tomorrow.”

- Thérèse Quigley, Director of Sports & Recreation Services

The Western Experience

Western provides the best academic experience among Canada’s leading universities. Participating in athletics as a Western Mustang enhances the student experience by:

- Fostering leadership qualities;
- Developing teamwork and goal-setting skills; and
- Realizing achievement through hard work.

The Mustangs experience is truly all encompassing—linking the academic mission of the University to the larger community and promoting values beyond sport itself. Western’s student-athletes serve as role models for youth and as ambassadors for the University.

Immediate Support while Building for the Future

Western is committed to providing the necessary support to ensure our high performance teams are nationally competitive every year. Starting in the 2016-17 season, varsity teams will be able to award a maximum of $4,500 per year to eligible student-athletes (up from $4,000). To qualify, entering student-athletes must have a minimum academic average of 80 per cent. To continue being eligible, current team members must maintain an average of 70 per cent in subsequent years.

Our goal is to raise $4.8 million over the next four years in support of Mustang student-athletes.

We are committed to securing strategic gifts with long-term impact. For example, a generous investment of $135,000, donors can make an immediate impact on student support through a progressive endowment. The progressive endowment model combines expendable and endowed funds to balance the impact of providing an annual award immediately with the investing of funds to build a permanent resource for generations to follow.

A gift of $135,000—payable at $27,000 per year for 5 years—will be partly expended to administer an annual award immediately while simultaneously building a $112,500 endowment fund to support the award in perpetuity.
Recruiting Top Student-Athletes

Western aims to be the destination of choice for student-athletes who excel in the classroom and on the playing field.

Western ranks number one among all CIS universities for the number of student-athletes who achieve the status of CIS Academic All-Canadian—those who maintain an average of 80 per cent or higher in their program while competing in a varsity sport. Western is one of only five institutions with a total of 100 or more.

In Canada, competition to recruit the best and brightest student-athletes is fierce. Athletic scholarships ensure eligible and deserving student-athletes have greater access to the Western Experience and help the University compete with other CIS schools in recruiting top talent from across the country.

Building the Endowment Fund

Building the endowment fund in support of scholarships for student-athletes will help ensure our top-performing teams are nationally competitive each and every year and will position our athletic programs among the nation’s best.

We turn to our alumni, friends and private sector partners to help support student-athletes. All donations can be paid over five years. Gifts of $25,000 or more can be named for the donor and directed to the donor’s team of choice.

With your support, our student-athletes will be able to balance the demands of academia with the rigors of enhanced competition.

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Details of a $135,000 progressive endowment:

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Income from endowment supports one award per year valued at $4,500 in perpetuity

Katherine Tsiofas, a member of the Mustangs women’s volleyball team, is the recipient of the Marg MacLean Women’s Volleyball Award.

“The academic year is busy - school, sport, off-season training. With the award, my financial situation is one less thing to worry about.”

- Katherine Tsiofas
2nd year finance student