Southern Cross University

Unilife

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PURPOSE

THE UNILIFE AWARDS ARE UNIVERSITY–WIDE AWARDS WHICH RECOGNISE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AND CONTRIBUTION BY SCU STUDENTS IN THE AREAS OF SPORTING AND STUDENT LIFE IN A GIVEN YEAR. THESE AWARDS ARE ENDORSED BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR OF SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY.

1. Award Process

1.1 Online nomination forms shall be completed and submitted to the UniLife Office by nominated deadline.

1.2 The closing date for nominations will be in early September each year. No late entries will be accepted. If an individual does not submit a nomination form or contact the UniLife team to provide relevant information, the nomination will not be accepted.

1.3 The SCU UniLife Awards shall be selected by an SCU UniLife Awards Panel upon receiving nominations submitted to the UniLife Office.

Nomination forms shall be available online from UniLife website [www.scu.edu.au/unilife](http://www.scu.edu.au/unilife).

2. General Eligibility Criteria

2.1 All nominees must be enrolled students, or on an approved leave of absence, for at least one session of the year nominated.

2.2 Southern Cross University UniLife Award nominees may be at any stage of their study.
2.3 The nominee must have complied with the eligibility criteria in the period of September to September in each year.

2.4 The UniLife Awards are awarded subject to evidence of a satisfactory academic record. This will be verified by the university or by sighting an official academic transcript.

2.5 It is the responsibility of the nominee or recipient to disclose any behaviour or misconduct that would compromise the integrity of the UniLife Awards. It is the responsibility of the UniLife Award nominee or recipient to withdraw their nomination or forfeit their Award if this has occurred.

3. Specific Eligibility Criteria for Sporting Awards

3.1 An SCU student competing in World University Games will automatically receive a nomination.

4. Criteria for Blues Award

4.1 In a sport available within University Sport the nominee must have achieved a minimum level of Green and Gold Team, if available to participate in AUS competition, except where there are national or international competition clashes.

4.2 Every individual selected in the Green and Gold Merit Team, including championships and games, will receive an automatic nomination from the Sports Office, but this does not guarantee that a Blue will be awarded.

4.3 In a sport not available within University Sport the nominee must have achieved a minimum level of Open or Age National representation before being considered for a Blues Award.

4.4 Olympians, World and National Champions shall be considered for a Blues Award.

4.5 In addition, the nominee should have achieved a level of excellence in his or her chosen sport, and/or

- Have been an outstanding performer in the AUS challenges/championships/games, or

- Have been an outstanding performer for SCU.

4.6 The nominee should be a person who has not brought discredit to SCU or been reprimanded in disciplinary hearings through AUS competitions.
5. **Criteria for Sportsman/Woman of the Year**

5.1 The nominee must demonstrate an outstanding list of sporting activities for a minimum of 3 years. These may include roles such as but not limited to:

- administration
- coaching
- team management
- representative player or competitor

5.2 The nominee shall have made an exceptional contribution to the success of SCU sport, an SCU sporting club or a community event.

6. **Criteria for Sports Team of the Year**

6.1 Nominated teams will have shown commitment to University Sport during both the Social Sports Program and where possible, the AUS endorsed events.

6.2 In addition, the nominated team should have achieved a level of excellence in their chosen sport, and/or have shown an outstanding performance in the AUS challenges/championships/games, self promotion, sports conduct and contribution to university sport.

7. **Criteria for Student Leader of the Year Award (Individuals only)**

7.1 The nominee will demonstrate achievements in student leadership/volunteering activities at SCU/and or in the local community for a minimum of one year from September - September.

8. **Criteria for Excellence in the Arts Award (Individuals only)**

8.1 The nominee will demonstrate his/her achievements in the area of “Excellence in The Arts” from September - September.

8.2 The nominee will demonstrate his/ her achievements in the performing, visual, writing, multi media arts areas and been recognized at a national or state level.

9. **Criteria for the SCU Contribution to Campus Community Award (Individuals only)**

9.1 The nominated SCU student will demonstrate initiative/s which helped to improve campus life at SCU for a minimum of one year from September – September. Examples of these initiatives may have been achieved through working as a member of an SCU Club or Society or Collective/ SCU Committee, SCU Student Association or in the SCU Mentoring Program.
10. **Criterial for Environmental Champion Award (Individuals only)**

10.1 The nominated SCU student who in the last 12 months have:
- Generated significant positive environmental impact on campus; the local community or national/global context;
- Participated in the advocacy and promotion of issues and solutions to key environmental challenges.

11. **Community Engaged Student (Individuals only)**

11.1 The nominated SCU student who in the last 12 months:
Have undertaken activities/projects as part of an enrolled unit of study and can demonstrate how the community has benefited as a result of this activity/project undertaken as part of an enrolled unit of study.

12. **Unimentor of the Year (Individuals only)**

12.1 Unimentor of the Year award is rewarding a student who creates a positive impact on the retention of new students to SCU in the last 12 months.
- Can demonstrate significant commitment to the UniMentor Program at SCU.
- Can demonstrate that they go above and beyond to assist mentees to become self-sufficient and well connected to the SCU community.

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