

2025 FISU Summer World University Games – Swimming Australia Selection Policy

The FISU Summer World University Games (WUG) are held every two years under the banner of the International University Sports Federation. The WUG comprises competition in 15 compulsory sports and some optional sports determined by the host. These events are staged in various cities throughout the world.

UniSport Australia (UniSport) will select a team to represent Australia at the 2025 WUG. Swimming Australia will assist UniSport through the selection process, with all other aspects of the tour including information gathering, logistics and attendance at WUG coordinated and managed by UniSport.

The 2025 WUG will be held in the Rhine Ruhr region of Germany with Swimming, Diving and Volleyball being held in Berlin. It is anticipated that the Swimming team will arrive in Berlin on 12 July and depart on 25 July.

Expression of Interest and Selection Timeline

12 March - 9 April:	Expressions of interest received and reviewed
9 April:	Expression of interest submission closed
11 April:	First stage / squad selection
16 - 18 May:	UniSport Nationals (with NSW Sydney Open) (<i>Priority 2</i>)
9 – 14 June:	Australian Swimming Trials (Adelaide) (<i>Priority 1</i>)
17 June:	Athlete selection finalised

Nomination Process

Please fill out the [Expression of Interest](#) form.

Only those athletes who have met the prescribed performance standards will be considered for selection. Expression of interest form must be completed online and eligibility certificate emailed to uniroos@unisport.com.au by 9 April. Please ensure you have your Australian passport handy when completing the EOI.

Participation Fee

The participation fees for the 2025 WUG are yet to be finalised but are likely to be approximately \$6500. This includes event entry fees (accreditation, technical and competition management costs), accommodation, meals and ground transport during the event, dress uniform, flights Australia to Germany, and medical support. To be clear, Swimming Australia will not be providing funding support for this tour, however athletes are encouraged to seek funding support from their university sporting organisation, local council and state government.

Athlete Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to compete, an athlete must:

1. Be a student currently registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country; or a former student (of an institution as outlined above) who has obtained the academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event (2024).
2. A national of the country they represent (hold a valid Australian passport/ be able to receive an Australian passport prior to selection)
3. At least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December of the year of the event (that is, born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2007).

Selection Process and Criteria

The selection of the athletes on the Australian Team for the World University Games will be made after the following teams have been selected at the completion of the 2025 Australian Trials in Adelaide.

- Australian Team to compete at the 2025 World Aquatics Swimming Championships
- Australia A Team to compete at the 2025 TYR Summer Championships in Irvine, California

A team of 4 male and 4 female athletes will be selected to represent Australia at the 2025 World University Games (WUG) based on performances at the 2025 Australian Swimming Trials in Adelaide (Priority 1) and 2025 UniSport Nationals (Priority 2). Only those athletes who have provided an Expression of Interest form directly to UniSport Australia by 9th April 2025 will be considered for selection.

Priority One – Performances at 2025 Australian Swimming Trials

All eligible athletes that have submitted an EOI by the due date (9 April) who have swum a time equal to or faster than the qualifying time in an Olympic Event as set out in Appendix 1 may be selected to the team for that event. No more than two swimmers may be selected for each individual event. If the number of eligible athletes meeting the criteria for a Priority One athlete exceed the team size, the eligible athletes will be ranked as per the Swimming Australia Team Selection Guidelines Ranking System. If after ranking the athletes, there is a tie for the final position on the team, the World Aquatics Point Score will be used to separate the eligible athletes, with the athlete with the highest point score gaining selection to the team. If the athletes still remain tied, the National Youth Coach will decide which athlete will gain selection to the team. In making this decision, the National Youth Coach may consider potential relay considerations, potential for future senior team selection and medal contributions at the competition when making their decision.

Priority Two – Performances at 2025 UniSport Nationals

Subject to positions remaining on the team after Priority One, eligible athlete performances at the 2025 UniSport Nationals / Sydney Open will be used to fill the remaining positions. Performances that meet or beat the Qualifying time in an Olympic Event at the 2025 UniSport Nationals will be ranked as per the Swimming Australia Team Selection Guidelines Ranking System, with the athletes with the best World Rankings selected to the team. If after ranking the athletes, there is a tie for the final position on the team, the World Aquatics Point Score will be used to separate the eligible athletes, with the athlete with the highest point score gaining selection to the team. If the athletes still remain tied, the National Youth Coach will decide which athlete will gain selection to the team. In making this decision, the National Youth Coach may consider potential relay considerations, potential for future senior team selection and medal contributions at the competition when making their decision.

Priority Three – Remaining Quota Positions

In determining the final list of selected athletes and subject to there being remaining quota positions available, additional athletes may be selected to the team by the SA Selection Committee until all quota positions have been filled. In determining which athletes are selected to the team under this clause, the remaining eligible athletes will be ranked using the SA Team Selection Guidelines Ranking System, with the athlete(s) with the best world rank gaining selection onto the team. If after ranking the athletes, there is a tie for the final position on the team, the World Aquatics Point Score will be used to separate the eligible athletes, with the athlete with the highest point score gaining selection to the team. If the athletes still remain tied, the National Youth Coach will decide which athlete will gain selection to the team. In making this decision, the National Youth Coach may consider potential relay considerations, potential for future senior team selection and medal contributions at the competition when making their decision.

Important Links

[FISU Eligibility Certificate](#)

[2025 Summer World University Games – official website](#)

[UniSport Guidelines – International Program and Event Sanctioning](#)

[UniSport Guideline – Selection of High Performance Teams](#)

Further Information

Please contact uniroos@unisport.com.au if you have any questions regarding the selection process.

Appendix 1

World University Games Qualifying Times Top 8 plus 3%			
	Male		Female
50m Freestyle	0:22.29		0:25.13
100m Freestyle	0:49.38		0:54.78
200m Freestyle	1:49.06		1:59.86
400m Freestyle	3:52.52		4:11.14
800m Freestyle	7:58.53		8:37.36
1500m Freestyle	15:12.16		16:37.75
100m Backstroke	0:54.54		1:01.29
200m Backstroke	2:00.02		2:12.65
100m Breaststroke	1:01.16		1:08.22
200m Breaststroke	2:13.79		2:27.85
100m Butterfly	0:52.61		0:58.64
200m Butterfly	1:58.06		2:11.91
200m Individual Medley	2:01.29		2:14.06
400m Individual Medley	4:19.07		4:48.81