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The Women's Student Coaching Academy is a collaborative programme between Sport Ireland, Student Sport Ireland, 27 Third Level Institution Campuses and 17 National Sporting Bodies. The programme provides one year of support to female students who wish to develop to be a top coach in their sport.

The aim of the programme is to provide a support system around the female student coach enabling them to develop and reach their coaching potential. Furthermore, the programmes aims to increase the number and visibility, of female coaches in third level institutions and create female role models to inspire other female students to progress into coaching.

Who is the WSCA for?

The WSCA is for female students who have an ambition to progress or excel as a coach in their respective sport. Members of the Academy may have years of coaching experience or may be new to coaching. If they can demonstrate they have the attributes and passion to be a quality coach - the WSCA is for them.

What are the benefits for student coaches as part of the WSCA?

Members of the WSCA will avail of the following benefits:

- mentor coach in their respective sport
- a coaching qualification provided by their respective NGB
- networking days with other WSCA members, facilitated by SSI
- WSCA kit
- further benefits specific to each third level institution.

What are the expectations of the student coaches accepted to the WSCA?

Members of the WSCA would be expected to fulfill the following:

- an agreed number of coaching hours per week (agreed in advance between the mentor coach, third level institution and student)
- complete the level coaching course by the respective NGB
- attend the Sport Ireland Safeguarding Workshop or provide proof of prior attendance.
- obtain garda vetting or Access NI
- maximise the opportunity and support on offer.

How do I apply?

Complete the following application form and return to your respective sports department. (list of contacts for each third level institution is on the back of this form)

APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN BY AUGUST 7TH TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS FOR YOUR RELEVANT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY LISTED ON THE BACK PAGE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

ELILL NIANAE			
FULL NAME:			
EMAIL:			
MOBILE PHONE:			
DATE OF BIRTH:			
WHICH SPORT WOULD YOU LIKE TO COACH IN THE WOMEN'S STUDENT COACHING ACADEMY? (PLEASE TICK BOX)			
ARCHERY	CRICKET	SOCCER	
ATHLETICS	GAA HANDBALL	SQUASH	
BADMINTON	HOCKEY	TRIATHLON	
BASKETBALL	LADIES GAELIC FOOTBALL	VOLLEYBALL	
BOXING	ROWING	WEIGHTLIFTING	
CAMOGIE	RUGBY		
(Not all sports maybe available in each college/university for you to choose. The local contact will advise you upon receipt of this application form)			
STUDENT STATUS			
COLLEGE STUDENT ID NUMBER:			
COURSE OF STUDY:			
YEAR OF STUDY:			
SPORT PLAYING EXPERIENCE			
CURRENT CLUBS / TEAMS:			
PLAYING ACHIEVEMENTS:			

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SPORT COACHING EXPERIENCE
CURRENT CLUBS / TEAMS YOU ARE COACHING WITH:
COACHING QUALIFICATIONS (PLEASE LIST) AND COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS:
WHY WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ACADEMY?
WHAT ARE YOUR SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM GOALS IN COACHING OF YOUR SPORT?
WHAT ATTRIBUTES WOULD YOU BRING TO THE COACHING ENVIRONMENT?

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