2023-2024 Summary of Entitlement to uea+sport and UEA|SU Resources and Facilities

The purpose of this document is to outline which campus resources and facilities, provided by uea(su) and uea+sport different types of students, alumni and uea(su) associate members can access. UEA clubs are run by the University PE and Sport (PES) department (known as *uea+sport*) in collaboration with uea(su) and UEA societies are run by uea(su). Please see the table below for information on entitlements and for links on where you can find further information.

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|  | **Current Students** | | **Associate Members** | | | | | | |
| **Individual's Status** | Current Over 18 UEA Students | Current Under 18 UEA Students | Erasmus or One Semester Only Students | INTO Students | City College Norwich (inc. Easton College) Students | Partner College Students | UEA Alumni and Staff | Current students at universities other than UEA | Community Members |
| **Permission to join club or society is at committee's discretion (x=can automatically join a club or society without committee's permission)?** | x | ü | x | x | x | ü | ü | ü | ü |
| **Have to pay club or society membership fee?** | ü | ü | ü Half price membership may be available if decided by club or society committee | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü |
| **Have to pay for uea+sport membership if looking to join a club?** | ü | ü | ü Half Sam Fee Available | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü |
| **Have to pay £50 Associate Member Fee?** | x | x | x | x | x | ü | ü | ü | ü |
| **Can be a club or society committee member?** | ü | ü | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |
| **Can run for an SU Leadership or Officer Roles?** | ü | ü | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |
| **Can compete in Local League Competitions?** | ü | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü | ü |
| **Can compete in Non-BUCs competitions (e.g. Dance Competitions)?** | ü | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria | Club and society committee to identify relevant competitions eligibility criteria |
| **Can compete in BUCs?** | ü | **X** . | ü \* | ü \* | ü \* | x | x | x | x |
| **Can take part in uea+ sport social programmes (ueactive/Ziggurat challenge)?** | ü | ü | ü | ü | x | x | Ziggurat Challenge Only | x | x |
| **Have to pay 60p Sportspark Entrance Fee?** | x | x | x | x | ü \* | ü \* | ü \* | ü \* | ü |
| **Eligible for Sportspark Education Card (£10)?** | Automatic | Automatic | x | Automatic | ü | ü | x | x | x |
| How to join club or society? | Join via club and societies pages on uea.su website.  [clubs (uea.su)](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/clubs/)  [societies (uea.su)](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/societies/) | Follow under 18 process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/under-18/) for more information. | Follow one semester only student process. Contact [union.opportunities@uea.ac.uk](mailto:union.opportunities@uea.ac.uk) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. | Follow associate membership process. Visit [this page](https://www.uea.su/opportunities/associatememberships/) for more information. |

**Additional information**

**Standard Membership Information**

* Clubs and societies cannot refuse membership to any current student of UEA, INTO, Easton & Otley or Exchange/Erasmus pending age requirements are met, but must notify them if the club or society has reached capacity
* Those doing a schools direct PGCE through UEA are classified as a full UEA student so same rules apply to joining a club or society and representing that group in BUCS.
* In addition to eligibility rules all other BUCS rules are applicable. For further details visit [https://www.bucs.org.uk/rules-and-regulations.html](https://www.bucs.org.uk/athlete.asp?section=19287&sectionTitle=Rules%2Band%2BRegulations)

# Under 18s

* Under 18’s will only be allowed to join clubs and societies if they are current students at UEA, INTO or Eastern and Otley, unless agreed otherwise\*. \*Currently permitted for Basketball.
* Under 18’s who are students at other institutions will not be permitted to join a club or society until they are 18.
* Under 18’s will not be permitted to join the following societies, even with parent or guardian’s permissions – Poker society, Real Ale society, and Cocktail society.
* There may be a slight delay in u18s joining sports clubs whilst UEA SU and uea+sport ensure there are appropriate safeguarding steps are in place for safe participation.
* For more information on under 18’s in clubs and societies, please see [here.](https://www.ueasu.org/pageassets/opportunities/committee-hub/policyhub/U18-Guidance-Student-Groups.pdf)

# One semester Exchange/Erasmus students

* Students on a one semester courses such as Erasmus or Exchange programmes, or current UEA students that will be doing a semester abroad and therefore only at UEA for one semester can join clubs and societies at a discounted fee. They will get access to a half price uea+sport membership and potentially half price club or society membership fees, but will have to contact the Activities and Opportunities team via [union.opportunities@uea.ac.uk](mailto:union.opportunities@uea.ac.uk) to arrange this.
* These Exchange/Erasmus students are entitled to play BUCS but only during the dates they are registered as a student at UEA (e.g. one semester).

**Partner Colleges**

* INTO UEA
* City College Norwich (including Easton campus)
* West Suffolk College (in Bury St Edmunds)
* Colchester Institute
* South Essex College (based in Southend)
* The SMB College Group (provision based at the Brooksby and Melton campuses in Lincolnshire)
* Mountview Academy of Theatre Arts (based in London)
* Royal Marsden School (Based in London)

**Associate Memberships**

* Clubs and societies can refuse entry to associate members that are from partner colleges, are UEA or uea(su) Staff or Alumni or are students at university that is not the University of East Anglia if the club or society is at full capacity pending a review with uea+sport.
* It is up to the discretion of uea+sport and the respective club committee to permit community members joining where it is appropriate and necessary for the club.
* Associate memberships expires on the 31st July each year, regardless of when the membership was acquired. This is to keep membership length in line with that of standard UEA student membership.
* If a non-student wants to join your club as an associate member and they bring a benefit to the club such as they are a van driver, can provide maintenance on equipment, there is the possibility the uea+sport department can waive their SAM and club membership fee, but we will need to discuss this with your club first.
* uea+sport and UEA SU has the right to impose a limit of the number of non-students selected in each match/performance day squad. This is to ensure UEA clubs are not dominated by community members. These limits will be decided on a sport by sport basis based on the normal match/performance squad size for that respective sport.
* Current examples of these limits are as follows.
  + Basketball – 4 community members per match/performance day squad
  + Hockey – 3 community members per match day squad
  + Football – 3 community members per match day squad
  + Rugby – 5 community members per match day squad
* If clubs have queries about community members limits for their clubs they should contact the uea+sport performance sport manager via [performance.sport@uea.ac.uk](mailto:performance.sport@uea.ac.uk)
* All associate members are governed by the same codes of conducts that UEA students are and by joining a uea+sport club agree to adhere to these code of conducts:  
  + UEA policies: <https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/university-information/university-policies>
  + UEA General Regulations: <https://www.uea.ac.uk/about/university-information/governance/policies-and-regulations/general-regulations>
  + UEA Students Union code of conduct: <https://www.ueasu.org/union/memberscodeofconduct/#:~:text=The%20code%20concerns%20the%20disciplinary,in%20the%20treatment%20of%20individuals>.
  + UEA Sport Maintaining Good Order document <https://ueasport.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Maintaining-Good-Order-Guidelines-on-Non-Academic-Discipline-Policy-and-Procedures-2022.pdf>
  + Sportspark policies: <https://www.sportspark.co.uk/terms-conditions-policies/>
* Associate members that need to pay 70p each time they want to enter the Sportspark can purchase a Sportspark membership instead, as Sportspark membership includes free entry. For more information on this, see [here.](https://www.sportspark.co.uk/memberships/)
* City College Norwich (inc Easton College) students registered to competefor a CCN club in any BUCS competition cannot then register with UEA to compete for a UEA club in any given year.
* All the Partner College students have to meet the BUCS eligibility rules listed in Appendix 1.
  + To find this out please contact the uea+sportBUCS Administrator via [studentsport@uea.ac.uk](mailto:studentsport@uea.ac.uk) or by calling 01603 597243. They will check with either UEA or the relevant institution regarding if their course meets the appropriate criteria for them to be able to compete in BUCS.

# Appendix 1 – Relevant BUCS rules re eligibility REG 4 - See link to BUCS rules and regulations [here](https://www.bucs.org.uk/rules-and-regulations/general-regulations/reg-4-individual-eligibility.html)

# Eligible Participants

REG 4.1 Eligible participants: For an individual to be eligible to participate in BUCS competitions they shall:

REG 4.1.1 Be a registered student at an institution which holds a level of BUCS membership which entitles them to participate in BUCS competitions.

REG 4.1.1.1 An individual can only represent an institution/Playing Entity with which they are registered.

REG 4.1.1.2 Establishing which institution/Playing Entity an individual may represent on a seasonal basis is determined via which Playing Entities are being utilised to function within BUCS competitions and the individual’s relationship to them. (Note REG 2.6).

REG 4.1.1.3 No individual may compete for more than 1 institution/Playing Entity in a BUCS season (1 August – 31 July).

AND

REG 4.1.2 Be aged 18 or over.

REG 4.1.2.1 Students studying at BUCS member institutions in Scotland will be eligible to compete in all BUCS competitions from the age of 17.

AND

REG 4.1.3 Be registered on a course which is at or above one of the following minimum levels:

Level 4 on the Framework for higher education qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland (FHEQ).

Level 6 on the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF).

Level 3 on the Regulated Qualifications Framework for England and Northern Ireland (RQF).

Level 3 on the Credit and Qualifications Framework for Wales (CQFW).

Level 3 standalone QAA Access to HE Diploma

AND

REG 4.1.4 Be undertaking a study programme equivalent to:

Where the course is credit rated under CATS (Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme), at least 60 credits per year.

Where the course is run using guided learning hours, a minimum of 225 hours per year.

Where the course is a postgraduate course which is not credit rated, no less than 50% of the full time student programme per year.