

The ULiège Student Athlete status in detail

2017-2018 Academic Year

For whom?

The ULiège Student Athlete status can be granted to any student regularly enrolled at the university who makes the request based on a complete application, and who corresponds to one of the following situations:

1. The student athlete status is granted by the "ULiège Student Athlete" Commission:
 - to students who have obtained from the Wallonia-Brussels Federation the status of aspiring, promising or high-level athlete for the coming academic year;
 - to foreign students who enjoy elite athlete status and are sure to continue their training and/or competition activities as part of a national selection during the coming academic year.
2. Student Athlete status may be granted by the commission to students who meet at least two of the following three criteria:
 - Selection in a national team or selection in a regional team with a certified participation in training and/or competitions at the international level
 - At least one involvement in a national or national individual or collective sports competition, depending on the discipline concerned.
 - A volume of practice equal to or greater than 10 hours/week on average.
3. The student athlete status may be granted by the commission to students who practice intensively a discipline for which there is no organised competition (aikido, mountaineering, dance, caving...). The applications will be examined and the criteria of representativeness and volume of practice will be decisive.

For what?

Students with "ULiège Student Athlete" status may benefit upon request from a range of advantages:

Personal guidance

- Guidance through an academic tutor: the ULiège Student Athlete is supervised by a member of the academic body designed from within their faculty. This privileged interlocutor, known as the "academic tutor", is available to help and facilitate, within the faculty, any useful procedure (in particular as regards a possible plan for the reduction of the year of study, of the organisation and terms of exams, etc.) that would allow the Liège student athlete to achieve their objectives.
- Accompaniment by an administrative coordinator: the coordinator serves as a relay between the ULiège student athlete and the University, they provide administrative and logistical support throughout the year.

Educational benefits

- Possible reduction of the course load: the ULiège student athlete who so wishes has the right to lighten their study year (the yearly programme cannot be less than 16 credits); the programme is determined by the student and their academic tutor, in accordance with the jury or study council concerned. If necessary, the reduction plan can be reviewed up until the exam session (e.g. cancellation of the plan if the student realises that they can attend all their exams; attendance of additional exams if it seems feasible...).
- Specific terms and conditions regarding teaching activities, assessments and exams: through the academic tutor and depending on organisational possibilities, the ULiège Student Athlete will benefit from:
 - planning of teaching activities (example: laboratory, seminar, date of work submission);
 - planning/scheduling and evaluation and review procedures.

These special terms remain subject to the appreciation of the teachers concerned. An application must be submitted, within a reasonable amount of time, to the professor by the student or by the academic tutor (at the request of the student).

- Special follow-up of the "Study Guidance" service: Insofar as possible, the ULiège Student Athlete who so wishes may benefit from priority access and a follow-up from the "study guidance" service (help on working methods, time management...).

Logistical advantages

- Free use of sports facilities: on the basis of a specific request, depending on availability and subject to compliance with safety rules, the student may use the sports infrastructure dependent on the university and the ADEPS.
- Access to CHU services (sports emergency, medical follow-up, psychological monitoring, nutritionist, isokinetism...) : the student with "ULiège Student Athlete" status can benefit,

insofar as possible, from privileged and priority access to the CHU services for consultations motivated by an accident stemming from the practice of a sport.

- Network of student athletes: a network of student athletes improves the sharing of information: Facebook, meetings...Students can share their experiences.

How ?

1. Enrol at ULiège for the current academic year
2. Complete the [online application form](#) (only accessible to ULiège students registered for the academic year concerned)
3. Gather all required supporting documents¹:
 - A letter of motivation describing in a few lines the contributions that the status would make to your sports training/career (what you expect from this status)
 - Your sports CV
 - Your athletic calendar for the upcoming academic year (training programme, certificates from the sports federation concerned, invitations to competitions...)
 - An official certificate:
 - A copy of the letter signed by the Minister of Sports (or the competent authority)
 - Or an attestation from your sports federation and/or, by default, from your club signed and sealed, certifying at least two of the following three criteria:
 - Your selection in a national or regional team (participation in trainings and/or competitions at the international level during the coming academic year (including universiades).
 - Your involvement in an individual or collective (or highest level francophone) national competition in your discipline.
 - Your participation in a volume of practice of at least 10 hours per week on average
 - Or, for disciplines without competitions, a complete and detailed file (press kit, attestations, ..) which will be examined taking into account in a decisive way the criteria of representativeness and volume of practice.

¹ The "ULiège Student Athlete" status can only be granted to students in order of admission and registration at the University of Liège ; Your application will only be examined by the "ULiège Student Athlete" Competitions if it is complete.

4. Send in your complete application to Aurore BERHIN no later than 30 September:

by mail to aurore.berhin@ULiège.be or by post:

Aurore BERHIN - University of Liège

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5. The "ULiège Student Athlete" Commission will make its decision within the first 15 days of October. You will be notified of the response by mail or email within the 15 days following;

Comment A first analysis of the applications will be made by the Commission at the beginning of September to allow the students, in order of application end of August, to benefit from the follow-up and planning provided for upon the first days of classes.

6. If the answer is favourable, you will be considered as a "ULiège Student Athlete" and will be able to benefit from the related advantages;

7. You will contact the administrative coordinator. Their role is to help you with further administrative formalities. You will sign together the charter that "formalises" the reciprocal commitment in your study project: the rights and obligations of each party are mentioned; the coordinator will also give you the contact details of your academic tutor. Get in touch soon with the latter, who is your privileged contact within the section/department in which you are enrolled. They will facilitate all the useful procedures and will help to set up the arrangements that you request depending on your already set programme of activities. (for example: possible reduction plan of the study year, organisation and terms of exams, etc.);

8. At the end of the academic year, you will be asked to fill out a summary of your experience.

NB: In the event of an unfavourable decision, you can submit your appeal to the Vice-Rector for Education (vice-recteur@ULiège.ac.be) by registered letter and no later than fifteen days from the receipt of the decision.

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