



Ice Skating Australia Incorporated
Affiliated to the International Skating Union

Policy Document HPP-1109-V1

ISA Development Scholarship Criteria 2011-12

Overview

This Policy establishes the guidelines for the 2011-12 ISA Development Scholarships. These scholarships have been made possible through the generous donation of the Morgan Innes Foundation. The Foundation supports youth with a passion to excel in the sport of Figure Skating, by providing them opportunity, support and financial assistance through the Australian Sports Foundation under criteria set by Ice Skating Australia.

One of the objectives of the foundation is to aid young figure skaters in the pursuit of their ice skating dreams. To achieve excellence they need to be exposed to international competitions and the international training environment. The Foundation will provide athlete training scholarships for skaters at all Championship levels so that they are able to undertake and meet the expense of a specific project and/or overseas training program. Expenses may include:

- travel to an overseas location, accommodation, coaching fees, ice time, choreography and office training. Projects may also include expenses for relevant sports science services.

The number of scholarships that will be made available each year are at the discretion of the Trustees.

Related Documents

1. Form HPF-1109-V1 ISA Development Scholarship Application Form
2. Policy HPP-1102-V1 Medical Notification and Clearance Procedure

Policy

Development Scholarships

1. Applications will be accepted from any member of a State Association who has been ordinarily resident in Australia for at least one year.

2. Skaters must compete in the 2011 Australian Figure Skating Championships or have been granted an exception under the ISA Medical Notification & Clearance Procedure.
3. Applicants must agree to remain competitive for the current season (2011-12) and the following season (2012-13).

Scholarships shall be determined based upon the following:

1. Level of skating achievements and competitive history
2. Intended scholarship project and/or overseas training program and plans
3. Future aims and goals (within the next five years)
4. Season aims and goals and how the athlete intends on achieving them
5. Personality and sportsmanship
6. 2011 Australian Figure Skating Championships Performance

The Scholarship Recipient(s) will be required to work with the ISA High Performance Team to develop a detailed plan that meets ISA requirements and the objectives of the Foundation.

Previous Scholarship Recipients may apply for additional scholarships in subsequent years.

National Scholarship

One or more National Scholarships up to a total value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) will be awarded to athletes. Scholarship/s will be available to any athlete(s) who has competed in the Novice division or above in Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dancing or Synchronized Skating and who fulfil the requirements above.

Queensland Scholarships

One or more Scholarships up to a total value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) will be awarded to athletes who are members of Ice Skating Queensland.

The Queensland Scholarship is open to all Championship Divisions (Primary – Senior) in Singles, Pair Skating, Ice Dancing and Synchronized Skating who fulfil the requirements above.

Scholarship Awards

A Selection Panel comprised of Morgan Innes Foundation Trustees and Ice Skating Australia Representatives will determine the suitability of all applications. Applicants will be short-listed.

Interviews will be conducted with short-listed applicants and their support team (including family members, coaches) at the 2011 Australian Figure Skating Championships with regards to their application and for clarification or refinement in accordance with Foundation Objectives or ISA High Performance Requirements.

The scholarships will be awarded at the 2011 Australian Figure Skating Championships.

Decision of the Trustees and the ISA Selection Panel are final.

The ISA High Performance Operational Director will convene a "Stakeholder's Meeting" where the skater and their support team (including family members, guardians, coaches, personal trainers etc) will liaise directly with the ISA Team to develop and agree on an appropriate development plan including a detailed training program.

Scholarship recipients will be required to:

- work with all representatives of ISA to agree on a development plan and budget
- agree and abide by the Development Scholarship Agreement
- submit progress reports throughout the year
- complete and submit Sports Foundation documents and ISA final reports by 31 December 2012
- demonstrate commitment and dedication to training (overseas and continually throughout the year)
- provide permission for use of photos and testimonials on the ISA and Morgan Innes Foundation web site (parental permission required if skater is under 18 years)

It is the hope of the Foundation to expand the funding for the scholarships and to build a sustainable Foundation for the betterment of figure skating within Australia.

Be as Morgan was - the best you can be and accept no compromises.

Applications

Applications should be made on the official application form and relevant supporting documents should be attached. Applications must be submitted no later than **Friday 25 November 2011**.

**Please email the application to both of the email addresses
below on or before Fri. 25 Nov., 2011:**

Email: natalie_j_taylor@hotmail.com and administration@isa.org.au

If unable to email please fax to (02) 9012 0191

Authorized by: ISA Board of Management

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