

Objective

The objective of this document is to describe the selection criteria that will be used in selecting athletes for the Cross-Country ski team to represent Canada in the 2021 FISU World University Games (WUG).

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Definitions

WUG: World University Games

CIS: Canadian Interuniversity Sport

CPL: Canada Points List

FISU: Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire Selection Committee (Committee formed to select the team)

NC: Nordiq Canada

NC EDC: Nordiq Canada Education Committee

1. **Team Size:** 6 males and 6 females. Each country is allowed to enter up to 6 athletes per race.
2. **Athlete eligibility:** All competitors must meet the following conditions to be eligible:
 - 2.1 Athletes must be Nordiq Canada members in good standing with a valid Canadian passport, Nordiq Canada race license, and FIS license.
 - 2.2 Be at least 17 and less than 25 years of age as of January 1st in the year of the event (i.e. born between Jan 1, 1996 and Dec 31, 2003 for the 2021 Universiade)
 - 2.3 Be a student who is registered for and pursuing a full program of study leading towards a degree or diploma at a post-secondary institution.
 - a) Status must be authorized by a document from the registrar of the institution.
 - b) Post-secondary institutions include community colleges, professional schools, technical schools, C.E.G.E.P., and universities, in or outside of Canada.
 - c) or be a former student who has graduated from a post-secondary institution as a student in good standing, in the year preceding the event. **Graduation must be authorized by a document from the registrar of the institution.*
 - 2.4 All selected athletes must have a minimum CPL points average of 86 points for men and 84 for women on either WUG distance or sprint ranking lists.

Academic Eligibility Form: FISU athlete eligibility form – See PDF included in News article

3. Selection:

- 3.1 The Teams (men and women) will be selected based on eligible athlete standings on the WUG Ranking Lists. The WUG ranking lists will be established by using the CPL scoring system, including all races eligible for CPL points, and as further set out in this section.
- 3.2 The Distance Ranking List for each gender will rank eligible athletes based on the sum of their best four CPL points results from distance races in the 2019-20 season (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020). The Sprint Ranking List for each gender will rank eligible athletes based on the sum of their best two CPL points results from sprint races in the 2019-20 (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.) CPL sprint points are based on qualification only, not final result in a sprint race.
- 3.3 Subject to paragraph 3.5, the top two athletes on the sprint ranking list for each gender will be selected followed by the top four athletes on the distance ranking list of each gender. If an athlete in the top four on the distance ranking list was also in the top two on the sprint ranking list, the next ranked athlete on the distance ranking list will be selected.
- 3.4 If a selected athlete declines nomination to the team or is unable to compete, the selection of the next athlete will be made such that the team composition remains the two highest ranked available athletes on the sprint ranking list with the remaining positions being filled from the distance ranking list.
- 3.5 Ties will be broken by the single highest CPL race points.
- 3.6 Athletes interested in participating in the FISU WUG are required to contact the Team Leader Katja Mathys cd@xcskiontario.ca by **May 1, 2020** to confirm their intent.
- 3.7 The WUG Ranking Lists will be published on the Nordiq Canada website by May 1, 2020. Selected athletes will be contacted via email before May 3. Athletes have until **May 13, 2020** to accept their nomination. The Team will be announced May 15 on the Nordiq Canada website.

4. Appeals

Only athletes who meet selection eligibility requirements may submit an appeal through the [Sport Dispute Resolution Centre for Canada](#) (SDRCC). Appeals must be submitted by **May 25, 2020**. Please submit notification of an appeal to the Selection Committee via the FISU Team Leader Katja Mathys cd@xcskiontario.ca.

5. Selection Committee

The Selection Committee is:

- WUG 2021 Team Leader Nordic Skiing – Katja Mathys
- NC Director of Coaching and Athlete Development – Stéphane Barrette
- NC Representative – University Skiing Liaison – TBA
- USports International Coordinator – Charonne Thomasos

6. At Games Authority

All athletes can enter all individual races. Team event selections will be made at the event by the Team Leader and Head Coach based on athlete performance at the Games, health and WUG ranking lists. This decision cannot be appealed.

7. Trip Fee and Contract

A \$500 deposit and signed contract will be due **May 31st, 2020** from each selected athlete to confirm intent to be on the team. The \$500 deposit can be returned up until August 31st, 2020. Selected athletes will be required to pay the balance of the trip fee (estimated to be in the order of \$4000, excluding airfare) by **Nov. 15, 2020**. No refunds will be made after this date or once final bookings have been made.

8. For further information:

An information session will be coordinated at the 2020 Haywood Ski Nationals in Sovereign Lake, BC.

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