Women in Sport Fund

MU Sport is committed to providing fair and equitable opportunities for women to participate and excel in sport across all University sports clubs. We have recognised that provision of relevant, safe and engaging sports programs tailored specifically for women athletes can only benefit our business and community club life.

In the coming months, we will be celebrating the launch of our first Gender Equity Policy. To celebrate and highlight the positive steps we are taking towards gender equity, MU Sport is delighted to announce the Women in Sport Fund. We invite you to apply to the Fund to support your efforts in ensuring gender equity across three important aspects of your club:

1. **Coach Education**: Clubs can nominate up to two women club members to participate in an accredited, sport-specific coach education course. Applicants can either apply as new coaches who will undergo Level 1 accreditation or existing coaches who want to extend their current coaching licences. Applicants must indicate a commitment to coaching at their MU sports club after completion of the course. Up to $500 per person.

2. **Equipment**: Clubs must demonstrate how the purchase of new equipment will enhance performance, participation, retention or recruitment of women athletes. Up to $1,000/ club.

3. **Introductory or Modified Sports**: Development and delivery of a women’s-only introductory or modified sports program for **MU students**: Up to $500/ club.

**To be successful, applicants must include the following:**

1. Demonstrate how funds will positively impact women’s participation and/or retention, performance or leadership at your club.
2. Describe who are the beneficiaries of funds. For example, coaches, athletes, program participants, women with disabilities, international students, etc.
3. Specify details. E.g., type of coaching course, affiliated organisation, level of accreditation, cost.
4. Describe when, where, how and who.

**How to submit your application:**

- Please attach your written submission to an email, with subject: WOMEN IN SPORT FUND Application to Bridgid Junot (bridgid.junot@unimelb.edu)
- Do not exceed a 500 word limit

**Things to Consider:**

- Preference will be given to clubs that demonstrate relevance to **MU student engagement**
- Successful applicants will be expected to provide a brief overview to MU Sport about use of funds within 12 months of receipt.
- Funds will be available until 15 December 2018 or when exhausted.
- If you have an innovative idea about engaging women in sport that doesn’t quite fit into the criteria outlined above, we still want to hear from you. Please contact Leadership Manager Bridgid Junot (Ph: 9035-6600, Bridgid.Junot@unimelb.edu.au)