

## LA TROBE UNIVERSITY NATIONALS

# COACH POSITION DESCRIPTION AND NOMINATION FORM

### Overview

Sport-specific Coaches play a vital role in the promotion of University Sport and the training, selection and competition management of student-athletes selected to represent the University at endorsed UniSport Australia events.

### Requirements and Expectations of the Role

- Advanced technical knowledge of the sport, its rules and equipment.
- Division 2 coaches must provide evidence of at least a Level One National Coaching Accreditation Scheme qualification or equivalent
- Division 1 Coaches must provide evidence of a Level Two National Coaching Accreditation Scheme or higher (in accordance to sport specific qualification).
- Able to provide a satisfactory Working with Children Check (WWCC) prior to the commencement of the Uni Nationals event. For instructions on how to formally apply for the WWCC if you do not already possess one please see the [WWCC Application](#) page. *\*To ensure you do not have to pay for the WWCC please make sure that you select that you need a **Volunteer Check** when completing the application.*
- Demonstrated La Trobe University Sport Club coaching and experience. (\*Not a requirement, but is highly desirable)
- Attend meeting with La Trobe Sport to finalise appointment in position as a La Trobe University Nationals team coach.
- Coaches are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner as staff/officials of the La Trobe University Nationals team, under the direction of La Trobe Sport.

### Personal Attributes

- To be organised, open and inclusive by encouraging student participation.
- Understands the ethos of the Nationals competition and ensures that the principles endorsed by La Trobe Sport, of sportsmanship and commitment, are maintained.
- Sets clear behavioural expectations and leads by example, as well as ensuring participants adhere to the code of conduct expectations.

### Benefits

- An opportunity to develop and utilise leadership skills whilst further enhancing coaching experience at a National level.
- Coaches will receive an accommodation package which will include accommodation, official team dinners, all breakfast and uniform at no extra cost.
- Coaches who are suitably qualified will receive a stipend for their time and commitment to the team. The stipend will be based on the commencement date of coaching and based on the coach's level of qualification, as per the Nationals Coaching Model.

### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**Pre-Event Duties** – to be undertaken by the Coach prior to the commencement of the event(s):

- In conjunction with La Trobe University Sport and Team Manager, devise and organise a format for team selection.
- In conjunction with the Team Manager, plan and implement training and trial sessions
- Attain trials selector's sheets from La Trobe Sport to record student athlete's details and skill level to ensure selection into the team remains unbiased and professional.
- Assist the Team Manager in communicating information to athletes regarding competition expenses.
- Assist the Team Manager in distributing and collecting relevant La Trobe Team information and forms.
- Become familiar with official **UniSport Rules** for your sport and any further changes implemented for the competition. (see Sport Rules at <https://www.unisport.com.au/nationals>)

**Event Duties** – to be undertaken by the Coach during participation in the event(s):

- Attend all sport specific and team meetings to represent the interests of the La Trobe Team.
- Plan, prepare and implement coaching duties for all scheduled games/matches/rubbers for your sport.
- Ensure the team warm-up pre-game and cool down post-game.
- In conjunction with the Team Manager encourage athletes/officials to abide by the terms of the La Trobe University Sport Participation Agreement.
- Ensure the Team Manager or student-athletes personally report any injuries or emergency situations to La Trobe University Team Managers (UTMs).
- Assist the Team Manager in carrying out his/her duties as described in the Team Manager Position Description.

**Post-Event Duties** - to be undertaken by the Coach following the completion of the event(s):

- Provide La Trobe Sport with a report on team behaviour and performance within two weeks of completion of the event
- Complete a post-event feedback survey.
- Be prepared to partake in any post-event media as directed by La Trobe Sport.

*This position description should be used as a guide to the role of Coach. Other roles and responsibilities may be required to be undertaken throughout the appointment.*

