



**SUPPORTING
YOU WITH THE COSTS
ASSOCIATED WITH
SPORTS CLUBS AND
SOCIETIES**

ACCESS TO **ACTIVITIES** **KENT SPORT** FUND

Supporting students who wish to participate in Sport Clubs and Societies



We know that cost can be a significant barrier when joining a sports club or society and because of the value we place on a co-curricular education we have two funds which will improve access to our student groups for current University of Kent students. Below are the de

Access to Kent Sport Fund:

The following criteria is applied to this fund:

- * It will support up to 50% of the costs of a Premium Plus Membership.
- * It will not support applications for only use of the gym

Access to Activities Fund:

The following criteria is applied to this fund, which will support:

- * Up to 100% of membership fees (but will only support a maximum of two applications with up to 50% being funded for the second membership).
 - * Up to 50% of essential performing equipment (e.g. safety helmet)
 - * Up to 50% of essential playing/performance kit (e.g. special boots)
 - * Up to 50% of additional costs which would develop/enhance the student experience and are aligned to the core activity of the student group (e.g. individual fees associated with a conference or competition).
- The maximum amount each student can request is £150 per academic year from the Access To Activities Fund.
 - Please note that due to limited funds we will be prioritising the allocations of money in the following order: membership fees, equipment and clothing.

How to apply:

Please fill in the form below and send this plus accompanying documentation to kentunion@kent.ac.uk .

Applicant Details

Your Name

Email Address

Application

- 1) Which fund are you applying to?
 - Access to Kent Sport
 - Access to Activities
 - Both

- 2) Please detail below the costs that you require support with, e.g membership fees, equipment/ kit prices and details of the student group/activity.

- 3) Please attach a copy of your Student Finance Loan Entitlement letter (where applicable).

- 4) To provide us with an indication of your financial situation please attach your latest 2 bank statements from ALL the accounts that you hold. Please ensure these are full statements that detail your name and also includes the account where your student loan (where applicable) would come in.

- 5) Please attach your student budget (the budget calculator can be found here: <https://www.kent.ac.uk/finance-student/calculators/student-budget.html>)

- 6) Please give some detail below about your student budget, including what these costs are and why they are expected to be this amount. In addition, please state if you have included your bills/bills package in your accommodation costs or your living costs.

- 7) With reference to your bank statements and budget please explain why cost is a barrier for accessing your chosen activity and why you need support. This is your opportunity to really explain why you need this fund so please provide as much detail as possible.

- 8) By sending these details you are agreeing to the below statement
- o I have included my details for the purposes of Kent Union/GK Unions supporting me with my funding request. I agree for my contact details to be used for this purpose, which will be held for a period of 7 years. I understand that my details will not be shared with third parties or used for alternative purposes. More information about our commitment to safeguarding the privacy of your information and your rights and the link to our Data Sharing Agreement with the University of Kent is included on our website (www.kentunion.co.uk/privacy).

Next steps...

Please send the completed form plus accompanying documentation to kentunion@kent.ac.uk .

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis; you will hear within 2-3 weeks whether your application has been successful.

Please note that applications that don't give sufficient information won't be accepted.

If you have any questions regarding the application, please email **KentUnion@kent.ac.uk**