DAME YVETTE WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Dame Yvette Williams was New Zealand’s first ever female Olympic gold medal winner and is widely regarded as one of New Zealand’s greatest ever athletes. She was New Zealand Olympian #76 and only our ninth ever female Olympian.

To ensure the legacy that Dame Yvette Williams has given to sport in New Zealand continues, the NZOC will award a Dame Yvette Williams Scholarship every second year to an athlete that demonstrates the same qualities as Dame Yvette displayed as an athlete - hard work and determination - to excel in their chosen sporting field. In Dame Yvette’s honour, athletes will have the opportunity to be financially supported in their quest for Olympic, Olympic Winter and/or Commonwealth Gold for New Zealand.

The Scholarship will be awarded to an individual athlete and may be used to fund equipment or ongoing training, competition and games preparation costs. The over-riding criteria is that the Scholarship will assist the athlete win a medal or be successful at the upcoming Olympic, Olympic Winter and/or Commonwealth Games; with the emphasis on the prospect of winning a medal.

The current Scholarship is available for the period 1 July 2021 to 31 December 2022. The amount of the Scholarship is up to **$25,000** over the full period. The over-riding criteria is that the Scholarship will assist the athlete to win a medal or have the prospect of winning a medal at the Olympic Winter or Commonwealth Games.

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| **Applicant Name:** |  |
| **Phone Contact Number:** |  |
| **Email Address:** |  |
| **Sport:** |  |
| **Discipline (if applicable):** |  |
| **How will the Scholarship assist your chances of winning a medal at the upcoming Olympic Winter or Commonwealth Games?** |  |
| **What are the expectations for your performance at the Games?****Evidence Provided on Medal** **Capability, including previous results** |  |
| **What have you done to demonstrate you have acted as a good example to sporting youth of NZ?** |  |
| **If you were awarded the Scholarship, how would you promote that support?** |  |
| **How will the scholarship be used? Please provide a full budget for expected costs.** |  |
| **What other financial support are you receiving i.e. Carded Athlete/ Sponsorships/IOC Athlete Scholarships?** |  |
| **Athlete**I declare the information provided above is true and correct and confirm I have read and agree to the terms set out in the Dame Yvette Williams Scholarship Guidelines.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Name Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Signature |
| **National Federation:**The application must be supported by the applicant’s National Federation. If more than one athlete from the same National Federation submits an application, the National Federation will be asked to rank the applications in priority order.I, the undersigned President/Chief Executive of the above-named National Federation, certify that the application is supported by the National Federation and that the above athlete is eligible to represent New Zealand at the Beijing 2022 Olympic Winter Games or Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Name and Role Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Signature |

*Closing date for applications is 28 April 2021.*

This application form must be used to be considered for the Dame Yvette Williams Scholarship. All sections must be completed with content and supporting documentation. The NZOC Sport Funding Committee will not consider applications that are submitted after the closing date, or that are not completed in their entirety.

For further information about the Dame Yvette Williams Scholarship, please contact:

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Information and Guidelines:

1. Applications for the Dame Yvette Williams Athlete Scholarship will be assessed on the following criteria:
2. The applicant can demonstrate how the Scholarship will assist their chance of winning a medal / or being successful at the upcoming Games.
3. The applicant can demonstrate they have been acting as a good example to the sporting youth of New Zealand.
4. The ability and willingness of the applicant to support the NZOC and to promote their being a recipient of the Dame Yvette Williams Athlete Scholarship.
5. The applicant’s previous results and their pathway to the upcoming Games.
6. The total amount of financial support being received through sponsorships.
7. Eligibility requirements:
8. The applicant must be eligible to represent New Zealand at the Olympic Winter or Commonwealth Games.
9. The applicant must be recommended by their sport National Federation.
10. In the second and subsequent years of allocating the Scholarship, athletes who have previously been awarded the Scholarship will be eligible to apply again.
11. The following will preclude athletes from applying for the Dame Yvette Williams Athlete Scholarship:
12. Being considered within the parameters of their sport as a “professional” e.g. Golf.
13. Having previously won a medal at a Winter Olympic, Olympic Games or Commonwealth Games.
14. Their inability to fulfil the expectations of the NZOC as outlined in section 4.
15. Not holding a current New Zealand passport.
16. Currently in receipt of an Olympic Solidarity Tokyo 2020 Athlete Scholarship.
17. The expectations of the NZOC in awarding a Scholarship are:
18. The recipient will make themselves available for a minimum of three appearances with and/or on behalf of the NZOC annually and at times as mutually agreed.
19. The recipient shall acknowledge the NZOC’s support and the benefits of receiving the Yvette Williams Scholarship where applicable.
20. The recipient will act as a role model on behalf of the NZOC.
21. The recipient shall report back to the NZOC at the conclusion of the Scholarship in the form of an acquittal. Report template to be provided by the NZOC.
22. The Scholarship can be withdrawn if the recipient:
23. Is no longer able to compete at the upcoming Games.
24. Acts in any manner which brings themselves, the NZOC or their sport into disrepute.
25. Does not comply with any items listed in section 4 – the expectations of the NZOC in awarding a Scholarship.
26. Payment of the Scholarship shall be in the following manner:
27. To fund ongoing training and competition costs – quarterly and paid directly to the athlete.
28. To fund equipment – on receipt of the official invoice and paid directly to the supplier.