



# FISU Winter World University Games 2023

## Physiotherapists



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### Introduction

British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS) is seeking to appoint a team of highly qualified and experienced volunteer Physiotherapists to support the GB Students delegation due to compete at the next FISU Winter World University Games in 2023.

The successful candidates will take the role for one FISU Winter World University Games cycle, from appointment through to the end of the Games. The successful candidates will also be encouraged to support the BUCS domestic programme during their tenure.

The FISU Winter World University Games are staged every two years in a different city, the winter edition of the FISU World University Games is a celebration of international university sports and culture. With several thousand student-athletes competing in each event. The FISU Winter World University Games is among the world's largest winter multi-sports competitions. The Games represent an experience comparable to an Olympic, Paralympic & Commonwealth Games in terms of scale, village life and competition format.

The next Games are due to be held in Lake Placid 2023, USA, between 12-22 January 2023.

It is anticipated that Great Britain will send a delegation of around 75-100 to the FISU Winter World University Games 2023.

The appointed Physiotherapists are expected to be available for the event, pre-event acclimatisation period and the GB Students Briefing Meeting (1-2 days, 2-3 months in advance of the Games).

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### Job Description

- To liaise with sports team managers and coaches before the event to gain an understanding of any pre-existing injuries and specific sports demands
- To gain an insight into the level of engagement of physio and requirements 'pitch-side', post event and any recovery strategies
- To provide a high-quality sports physiotherapy service to both athletes and team officials
- To liaise with and support medical HQ and BUCS staff as requested
- To work within the CSP code of conduct and the IFSP competencies for sports physiotherapists
- To maintain accurate patient records in keeping with CSP guidelines
- To provide post-event feedback to the NGB, team or local physios regarding injuries, physio and medical intervention



## Essential Qualifications/Experience

- A member of the CSP with a Degree or Graduate Diploma in Physiotherapy and HPC membership
- 5 years post-registration physiotherapy experience
- Experience of working with an NGB regularly across at least 2 competitive seasons and have at least 3 years' experience in the treatment of elite sports related injuries
- ACPSEM bronze accreditation level obtained
- Continuing professional development in the musculoskeletal and locomotor fields including evidence of regular first aid and advanced trauma training
- Previous experience of working as a sole practitioner and travelling abroad with a team
- The post holder must be able to demonstrate a sound understanding of the needs of high-performance competitors and officials both before and during international competition
- Working knowledge of the ethical standards and guidelines of patient confidentiality
- Professional indemnity insurance

## Desirable Qualifications/Experience

- A Diploma or MSc. in Sports or musculoskeletal Physiotherapy
- Previous multi-sport experience or a proven record of working at a major Games or would be desirable (either on behalf of a Local Organising Committee, or preferably as an accredited member of a participating nation)
- ACPSEM silver or gold accreditation level obtained
- Evidence of active involvement within student sport. An understanding, knowledge and awareness of University sport and the Higher Education sector within the UK's high-performance structure would be considered an advantage
- Sound understanding and working knowledge of the WADA code and have experience with doping control, policies and education
- To have demonstrated commitment to BUCS by providing physiotherapy support to the BUCS domestic programme
- A massage therapy qualification from a recognised course that leads to membership of the SMA, and an Acupuncture qualification with AACP membership, would both be considered an advantage
- Ability to ski/snowboard (Winter Games applicants only)

## Essential Personal Attributes

- Ability to work both as a team player and individually
- Willing to work long and unsociable hours
- Ability to respond to queries in a timely manner
- Flexible and conscientious approach to work
- Stability of performance under pressure/when being opposed
- Can identify and respond to stress in self and others
- Work effectively in a stressful environment under time and resource pressure
- Ability to make strategic decisions for the good of the team under the constraints of patient confidentiality
- Ability to act quickly and independently
- Ability to refer decisions to appropriate higher authority
- Understanding of the extra pressures that an away Games will add to athletes and staff

Please note that the selection process will account for candidate's values and behaviours as well as their technical expertise



## Other Information

Appointments will be made subject to References.

The post-holder will act in accordance with the BUCS Team Members' Agreement and Code of Conduct.

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## Remuneration

This is an honorary position, although travel and subsistence costs will be paid (where not otherwise provided).

## Application Process

Candidates should send a CV and Covering Letter (including details of two referees) to [GBStudents@bucs.org.uk](mailto:GBStudents@bucs.org.uk). Candidates should also complete the survey [available here](#) prior to the application deadline.

The deadline for applications is Friday 17 June 2022.

Please contact [GBStudents@bucs.org.uk](mailto:GBStudents@bucs.org.uk) if you have any questions in relation to your application.

**Follow up calls and/or interviews will take place at a time to be confirmed with successful applicants in due course.**