



U.S. Synchronized Swimming Foundation
Presents:

COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The following grant is designed solely for collegiate teams. The mission of the grant is to provide financial assistance for collegiate programs trying to maintain a start-up team or rebuild the strength of an existing team.

The Collegiate Development Grant is considered a two-year funding process. Varsity programs may receive \$2,500 the first year and \$1,250 the second year. Club programs may receive \$5,000 the first year and \$2,500 in the second year.

GRANT GUIDELINES

- 1.) Grants will be awarded only to not-for-profit collegiate organizations fostering synchronized swimming.
- 2.) A start-up collegiate synchronized swimming organization may apply in the second or third year that they are registered and competing collegiately. A rebuilding collegiate synchronized swimming organization must have fallen to eight or fewer swimmers. Rebuilding teams must provide a history of their program in the application.
- 3.) The application will be made to the U.S. Synchronized Swimming Foundation. The Collegiate Chair and a collegiate athlete may be asked to review for viability and reliability. The final decision will be made by the Foundation.
- 4.) Applicants must fill out the Collegiate Development Grant Application in its entirety, including the appropriate signatures, budgets, plans, etc. Only fully completed applications will be considered for grant approval.
- 5.) Requests must be received at the address below no later than **September 1st** to be eligible for consideration. Entries postmarked on the application deadline date will not be accepted.
Completed applications should be mailed to:
Finance Manager
U.S. Synchronized Swimming Foundation, Inc
132 E. Washington Street, Suite 820
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- 6.) Applicants may cut and paste or type in the following application as long as the formatting and questions are unchanged.
- 7.) Requests will be reviewed in the fall by the Foundation Board of Trustees. Following the Board meeting at Convention, applicants will be informed of grant approval or denial.
- 8.) Grant funds will be paid by December 31st.
- 9.) Organizations with approved grants must submit an update of the five-year growth plans and, if applicable, varsity status updates, by the end of year 2 and year 3 for review by the Foundation Board of Trustees.



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COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION

Name of College/University: _____

Tax ID #: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Telephone /Fax number: _____

Email address: _____

Description of how the grant money will be used: _____

(Please limit the response to a listing of uses, using only one additional sheet.)

Budget

Applicant must fill out a budget of anticipated expenses. Please be sure to give a line item budget detailing each component of your activity. **The full grant amount that is requested must equal the total of all budgeted line items. The only expenses allowable are outlined in the above guidelines below.** Examples of budget requests may include, but are not limited to:

- Equipment (underwater sound system, justify equipment purchases)
- Travel costs, including lodging and transportation. Food is not covered.
- Fees , event registration. Membership and sanctions are not covered.
- Promotional expense, recruiting materials and flyers. How will you use these items?

Uniforms, suits and warm-ups are not allowable..Please attach your detailed budget with this application form.

Describe your five year plan for continuity of the synchronized swimming program and its growth. Detail your plan in a year-by-year format. (For example,in 2010 we plan to do A, B, C. In 2011 we plan to do X, Y, Z): _____

(Please use one additional sheet if necessary.)



FOR CLUBS ONLY, describe what is required to be considered for varsity status and your plan to reach varsity status: _____

(Please use an additional sheet if necessary)

FOR REBUILDING TEAMS ONLY, detail the history of your synchronized swimming program and why you need assistance rejuvenating the team: _____

(Please use an additional sheet if necessary)

Outline your local support group. Please include names and descriptions and any other relevant information for the following areas:

- Local synchro community
- Faculty/Staff support
- Alumnae support
- Additional community support
- Meet assistance
- Judge assistance
- Financial assistance

(Please use an additional sheet if necessary)



Please fill out the following with the appropriate signatures.

Statement of Compliance by Applicant and Team:

I, _____ (Applicant) and _____ (Team name) will agree to comply with the NCAA Rules for Division _____ (I, II or III) and U.S. Synchronized Swimming rules. Even if we are a club team, we will adhere to these rules.

Signature of Applicant

Date

College/University Grant Request Approval:

I, _____ (Athletic Director) with

_____ (Institution) approve this grant application for
_____ (Applicant) and _____
(Team Name)

Signature of Athletic Director

Date