

World University Games; British Universities and Colleges Sport Table Tennis Team Coach

The Home Nations Table Tennis Associations are seeking a **Great Britain Table Tennis Team Coach** to nominate to British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) for the Summer World University Games 2017.

The Team Coach will support the Team Leader (TL) to achieve the overall aim of ensuring that the Table Tennis team receive the best possible support and attain the best possible results. The successful applicant will take on the role for one World University Games (WUG) cycle, from appointment through to conclusion of the event.

Summer WUGs will consist of 12,500+ participants in Taipei City, Chinese Taipei, 19-30 August 2017, and it is anticipated Great Britain will send a delegation of 175-200 persons in Archery, Athletics, Fencing, W Football, Golf, W Artistic Gymnastics, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Judo, Swimming, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Tennis, M&W Water Polo & Weightlifting.

In addition to the WUGs event duration and pre-event acclimatisation period (19-31 August), the successful candidate will be available to attend the pre-Games Team Briefing (TBC) and any required planning, preparation and training requirements for the team.

It is anticipated that an appointment will be made on the basis of the written submissions, with an interview taking place only if required.

Job Description (to include but not limited to):

Pre-Games

- To attend any Table Tennis Team Briefing or BUCS briefing in support of the TL
- To liaise with team staff and athletes, NGB personnel, and BUCS/ Games personnel as required
- To support team training and preparation

Games

- To support the TL
- To deliver daily training and competition
- To attend all relevant team and Technical meetings
- To support the team's participation in Opening, Closing and Flag Raising Ceremonies, and at Team GBR reception(s)
- To support the pastoral care and wellbeing of the team (athletes and staff)
- To support the TL to maintain a record of all team individuals' whereabouts on a daily and nightly basis
- To coach players through the competition
- Reporting to: Table Tennis Team Leader

Person Specification

Essential Qualifications/ Experience

- Previous experience in a similar role for a representative team in international competition
- The ability to represent BUCS and Great Britain and the wider interests of British university sport
- Qualified and currently licensed Table Tennis Coach with a Home Nation
- Valid First Aid certificate

Desirable Qualifications/ Experience

- Previous experience of travelling abroad in support of a competitive sports team
- Previous experience of coaching table tennis at this level
- Previous experience of working at a multi-sport Games (either as a member of a Local Organising Committee, or preferably as an accredited member of a competing team)
- Able to demonstrate a sound understanding of the needs of high performance competitors and officials both before and during international competition
- An understanding, knowledge and awareness of University sport and the Higher Education sector within the UK's high performance structure
- Active participation in delivery or support of BUCS competition or representative programmes
- Previous participation in or attendance at a FISU and/ or EUSA event

Personal Attributes

- Ability to work both as a team player and individually
- Ability to respond to queries in a timely manner and prioritise
- Organised, flexible and conscientious approach to work
- Professional
- Honest
- Work effectively in a high-pressure environment
- Appointments will be made subject to References.
- Appointments will be made subject to CRB checks where this is deemed necessary in accordance with BUCS Safeguarding & Welfare policy.
- Postholders will be required to complete UKAD Anti-doping Advisor certification.

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 Simon Mills by 30/4/17 (simon.mills@tabletennisengland.co.uk)