

Stewards Trust Scholarship Coaches

British Rowing is currently recruiting Stewards Scholarship Coaches for positions commencing in September 2012.

What is the Stewards Scholarship Coach Programme? (SCT coaches)

The SCT programme supports graduates who wish to continue with academic study whilst further developing their rowing coaching skills. Each scholarship is awarded for two years.

What Does a Scholarship Coach Do?

Recipients of an SCT scholarship must obtain a place at an agreed university to study for a part time postgraduate qualification. The qualification must be agreed in advance with British Rowing, and must relate to sport. The majority of scholars study for a part time master's degree, although some coaches study for postgraduate diplomas, and even for PhD's. Subjects have included - coaching, sports science, sports development, the effect of Government policy on sport. A scholarship coach is expected to spend 20 hours per week on academic study and 20 hours per week, for 10 months a year, coaching young people aged 11-18 in up to three British Rowing Clubmark clubs.

In addition to gaining an academic qualification, it is an opportunity to further develop coaching skills and knowledge – there are opportunities to access agreed British Rowing coaching courses and other training. In many cases coaches are able to complement academic study with practical experience when working in club – providing an opportunity to develop both knowledge and competency within the sports environment.

Scholarship Coaches work alongside other club coaches, sometimes learning from them, sometimes acting as a mentor. Over the period of two years it is an opportunity to experience coaching with a broad range of young people, from 11 year olds involved in their first indoor rowing sessions, to experienced 18 year olds who may be competing at a high level, from young people who wish to row recreationally, to those aspiring to compete at the highest level.

The financial package includes a contribution towards course fees, travel costs whilst coaching, a living allowance and use of a British Rowing laptop computer. In addition to this, agreed training and support is supplied by our Coaching and Development Team.

Where are Graduates from the Scheme?

Although there are no guarantees, SCT scholarship graduates have been extremely successful in obtaining employment. For example as:

- School Directors of Rowing
- Sports Development Officers
- British Rowing staff

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