# Club/ Branch Communication

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| Name | Grant Individual Opportunity |
| Subject | Individual Opportunity: ASC 2027 Women Leaders in Sport (WLIS) Individual Grants<br><br>(Closing 27 November 2026) |
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The **ASC Women Leaders in Sport (WLIS) Program** is designed to strengthen the pipeline of experienced, capable women leaders who shape decision-making, challenge systems and contribute to a more equitable and effective sports sector.

**Please note** - Governance courses are no longer included in this program as a separate approach to this training is currently being developed, with further information to be released in 2027.

In this round, a total pool of $206,200 ex GST is available to support professional development and training for eligible women in the sporting sector across the following three tiers:

| Tier | Funding $ (ex GST) | Total Tier Funds |
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| Tier 1: Advanced professional development courses | $8,000 to $10,000 | Approx $50,000 |
| Tier 2: Advanced professional development courses | $4,000 to $7,999 | Approx $80,000 |
| Tier 3: Foundational professional development course | $0 to $3,999 | Approx $70,000 |

Examples of areas of training programs include but are not limited to:

- Leadership Skills and Management
- People and Culture
- Sports Administration
- Integrity
- Sports Administration
- Finance
- Communications and Media
- Sport science, technology, engineering, math, medicine (STEMM)
- Coaching and Officiating
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Examples of institutions who offer these areas of training include but are not limited to:

- Universities
- Institutes of Technology
- TAFE
- Private Colleges

Short or standalone courses at universities or other institutions are eligible for funding. However it's important to note that course fees must be paid upfront and cannot be deferred to HECS_HELP loans.

Only one application per applicant will be accepted, if more than one application is submitted, the last submitted application will be accessed.

To be eligible to apply for an Individual grant, an applicant must:

- Identify as a woman
- Be aged 18 years or over
- Be an Australian citizen or have been granted permanent residence status
- Currently be involved in a paid or volunteer capacity for either:
  - A National Sporting Organisation (NSO)
  - A Local Club or State/Territory Sporting Organisation which is affiliated with an NSO

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| | ○ Commonwealth Games Association<br>○ National Institute Network<br>○ Media organisation as a sport journalist/writer<br>○ Australian Sport Foundation<br>• Not a current employee of the ASC<br>• Have not received support through the WLIS program within the last two years (Please note: this does not include participation in the WLIS workshops) OR have any outstanding WLIS acquittal and/or reporting requirements.<br>• Supporting organisation is not named in the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse on its list of "Institutions that have not joined or signified their intent to join the Scheme", and not named on the Workplace Gender Equality Agency website non-compliant organisation list<br>• Applicants notified December/January 2027<br>• Course training must commence in 2027 |
| Link | Full details are located at: Individual grants \| ASC |
| Contact email | For specific enquiries regarding this program, please contact the WLIS Grant Team via email at wlis@ausport.gov.au or phone: 02 6214 1463 |