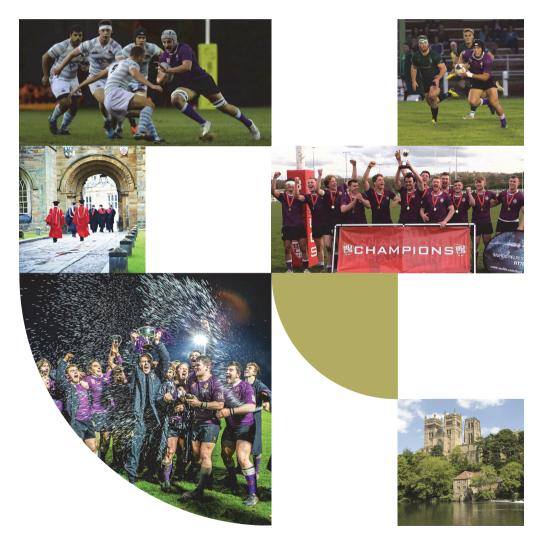


Inspiring the extraordinary

Performance Rugby Union BUCS Super League Rugby in a world class academic environment



Durham University Rugby

The performance rugby programme allows players to maximise their sporting potential whilst continuing their studies.

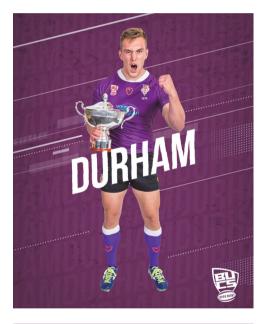
- A professional rugby experience within a globally outstanding centre of teaching and research excellence
- Unique collegiate community of extraordinary people, set within an historic setting
- A university like no other: Better players Better education Better people

Our Mens 1st XV compete in BUCS Super Rugby which features the top ten rugby playing universities in the UK. In each of the last five seasons players have gone on to play international rugby at U20 and Student level as well as sign professional contracts post graduation.



UK Top 10 Academically UK #1 for Team Sports

- Ranked 78 in the QS World University Rankings 2020
- Ranked 5 in the Guardian Good University Guide 2020
- 18 subjects in the world top 100 & 3 in the world top 10, QS World University Rankings 2019



5 University Teams

2nd XV in Premier North vs other Unis 1st XVs

All other teams play in higher end BUCS leagues

Pitch sessions 3x a week

Specialist unit & skills sessions

Individual 1 to 1s

11x National Champions

6x Sevens Champions

Individual Development

- Academic mentoring
- Leadership training
- Sports psychologist
- Outstanding student experience

Head of Rugby Alex Keay

- Coached Durham to BUCS
 national titles in 2011, 2013 & 2020
- Coached Durham to national 7s title in 2011, 2012 and 2018
- RFU Level 4 coach
- Former captain of Saracens RFC
- alex.keay@durham.ac.uk



Undergraduate Study

- One of the broadest course ranges of any UK university, allowing you to tailor your degree to meet your needs.
- Long-established commitment to research. Delivering cutting-edge, research-led education is at the heart of what we do.
- Achieve a world class education whilst still being able to maximise your sporting potential.
- Continue a proud history of Durham students taking up professional rugby contracts after graduation.

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Postgraduate Study

- Apply for a taught course or undertake your own studies under expert academic supervision as part of a research degree.
- Having a postgraduate degree from Durham University will enable you to stand out in a competitive job market, giving you a career post-rugby.
- Flexible study routes are available to fit around your life and preferred style of study, and you can study for most qualifications on a full-time or part-time basis.
- Study part time and give yourself more time to work and/or train as you pursue a future career or playing contract

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International Students

- High level rugby in an historic setting.
- Place yourself in the shop window of every professional and semi professional club in Europe.
- Explore the UK and Europe in your academic holidays.
- Make outstanding links to professional academies and clubs whilst achieving a world class education.

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World Top 100 University

£32m Elite Sports Facilities

BUCS National Champions 3x last 9 years

> BUCS 7s Champions 4x last 9 years

Full time rugby specific S&C staff



Individual S&C plans to fit your evolution



Physio and medical cover

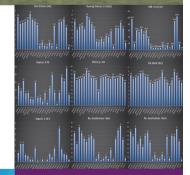
Detailed & specific individual feedback



Video Analysis

Pre-game tactical briefings on opposition

Detailed post-game feedback to improve



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GPS

Individual GPS tracking during training and games. Personalised data to maximise your development potential

Scholarships

There are a wide range of scholarships available at Durham, we encourage you to apply early in order to have your application considered at the earliest opportunity. Scholarships are available for a wide range of reasons, not just academic or sporting.

Undergraduate: durham.ac.uk/study/ug/finance/uk/scholarships Postgraduate: durham.ac.uk/study/pg/finance/funding/bursaries/scholarships

All students are eligible to apply for a sports scholarship, undergraduate or postgraduate, domestic or international. If you are seeking a rugby specific award you should get in contact with Head of Rugby Alex Keay at the earliest opportunity.

Tours

A unique touring schedule unlike any other programme. As well as an annual performance squad preseason camp in Portugal, there is a biennial whole club tour. This regularly follows the British and Irish Lions as well as a wide range of other countries.





Notable Recent Alumnii

Proven Pathway into Professional Rugby





Simon Hammersley Sale Sharks

Josh Beaumont Sale Sharks

Adam Brocklebank Newcastle Falcons

Sean Robinson Newcastle Falcons

We are incredibly proud of the number of players who go on to have a career in professional rugby.

We have alumni amongst the players and staff of a significant number of premiership and championship clubs



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Open Days and Facility Tours

Durham hosts open days throughout the year where you will be able to visit the academic departments, colleges and sports facilities. Please get in touch and let us know you are coming so we can meet you and answer any questions you may have about the rugby programme.

If you are unable to attend an official open day please contact Alex Keay directly and we will arrange a time for you to visit and receive a personal tour with one of our performance staff.

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