

Nominations are now open for a 2011 Victoria University Blues Award.

Are you an athlete that has excelled over the past year? You may be eligible for a prestigious university blue.

Blues are the highest recognition the university can give to people who have, by their sporting achievements, brought credit to the institution. The very first Victoria University Blue was awarded in 1903 and has since seen athletes such as All Blacks Graham Mourie, Jerry Collins, and Conrad Smith, World Mountain Running Champ Kate McIlroy, and NZ Black Stick captain Suzie Pearce all honored with this distinction.

Blues can be awarded in any sport. They are awarded by the Students' Association (VUWSA), on recommendation of the Victoria University Blues Panel.

The premier awards include the:

2011 Sportsperson of the Year
2011 Maori Sportsperson of the Year
2011 Sports Administrator of the Year

If you have gained regional representative honors or higher you may be eligible for a sports award. If you have been successful in sports administration you may be eligible for an administration blue.

The award ceremony itself is a grand occasion held in a formal setting. The ceremony attracts not only award recipients and their guests but also delegates from the local government, sporting institutions and other relevant industries. At recent ceremonies the guest speakers have included All Black Conrad Smith, NZ Sportswomen of the Year Kate McIlroy, as well as one of NZ's most modern day adventurers Jamie Fitzgerald.

The Blues standards and nomination forms are available from VUWSA, the VUW Recreation Centre and can be downloaded from www.vuwsa.org.nz

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 5PM FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 3rd 2011.

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