



# Path to College/University

*Getting into a US or Canadian university on a hockey scholarship typically involves several steps. Here's a general overview of the process:*

## **1. Research Universities and Hockey Programs:**

Identify Canadian universities that have strong hockey programs and academic offerings that align with your interests and career goals.

## **2. Academic Preparation:**

Ensure that you meet the academic requirements for university admission. This may include completing high school with a certain GPA and taking necessary standardized tests.

## **3. Maintain Eligibility:**

Be aware of the eligibility requirements set by the university and the sports governing bodies. This may include maintaining a minimum GPA and meeting other academic criteria.

## **4. Athletic Performance:**

Continue to excel in your hockey career. Scouts and coaches often attend games and tournaments to identify potential scholarship candidates. Create a highlight reel and sports resume to showcase your skills and achievements.

## **5. Contact Coaches:**

Reach out to coaches of the hockey programs at the universities you are interested in. Express your interest in their program and provide them with your sports resume, highlight reel, and any other relevant information.

## **6. Attend Recruitment Events:**

Participate in recruitment events, showcases, or tournaments where college scouts and coaches may be present. This provides an opportunity for coaches to see you play in person.

## **7. NCAA or USports Eligibility:**

If you're considering Canadian universities, familiarize yourself with the USports eligibility requirements. If you're looking at NCAA programs, understand and meet the eligibility criteria set by the NCAA.

## **8. Apply for Admission:**

Complete the university's application process. Be sure to include all required documents,

such as transcripts, letters of recommendation, and standardized test scores.

**9. Financial Aid and Scholarships:**

Inquire about available scholarships and financial aid programs offered by the university. This may include both academic and athletic scholarships.

**10. Maintain Communication:**

Keep in touch with coaches throughout the application process. They may be able to provide guidance and support, and staying in contact demonstrates your ongoing interest in the program.

**11. Official Visits:**

If invited, take advantage of official visits to the universities. This allows you to tour the campus, meet with coaches and players, and get a feel for the academic and athletic environment.

**12. Decision Time:**

Once you receive offers, carefully consider your options. Evaluate the academic programs, athletic opportunities, and overall fit with each university before making a decision.

*Remember that the specific process may vary between universities and sports programs, so it's essential to research and reach out to the institutions you're interested in for the most accurate and up-to-date information.*