



Selection Policy – Singapore University Karate Team ASEAN University Games 2026

1. Summary of Important Information

Date of Competition:	10 and 19 December 2026
Date of Travel:	To be confirmed
Eligibility:	1) Singapore Citizen (Singapore Passport Holder) 2) Age between 18 and 27 years old on 31 Dec 2026 (DOB between 1 Jan 1999 to 31 Dec 2008, both dates inclusive) 3) Active student in 2026 or former student with degree conferred in 2025
Games' Website:	https://www.aug2026.my/index.php/en/
Below are the estimated per athlete costs:	
Airfare & insurance:	SGD300 to SGD500
Participation & Accreditation:	To be confirmed (<i>est expenses are sport-specific and subject to team requirements.</i>)
Contingent & Team Attire:	SGD200
Others (e.g. Sports Trainer, ITO, misc., etc):	To be confirmed
Coaching:	To be confirmed
Total: Estimated per athlete costs:	To be confirmed (excluding any subsidies that may be provided by your institution)

2. General Information

- 2.1. The ASEAN University Games 2026 (AUG 2026) will be held in Malaysia from 10 to 19 December 2026.
- 2.2. The Singapore University Sports Council (SUSC) is planning to send a Karate Team to compete in AUG 2026, subject to athletes' qualification.
- 2.3. The travelling dates for the Karate Team are to be confirmed (pending competition schedule to be released).
- 2.4. On behalf of SUSC, Singapore Institute of Technology (SIT) will manage the team's coordination, athlete communication, and Games preparation.
- 2.5. Athletes who are interested in standing for selection must submit the registration form to yeeyong.lee@singaporetech.edu.sg through their institution staff advisor **by 10 July 2026**.

3. Eligibility

3.1. Only the following may participate as athletes in AUG 2026:

- 3.1.1. Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at the university or similar institute, the status of which is recognised by the appropriate national/regional academic authority of their country/region;
- 3.1.2. Former students of the institutions mentioned in 3.1.1 who obtained their academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event.

3.2. All athletes must satisfy the following conditions:

- 3.2.1. Be a Singapore Citizen of the country/region they represent.
- 3.2.2. Be at least 18 and no older than 27 years of age on the 31 December of the year of the event (i.e., born between 1 Jan 1999 to 31 Dec 2008).

3.3. All eligible athletes must agree to bear the full cost of preparation and participation. Any subsidy and funding will be between the athlete and his/her respective institutions.

4. Events

4.1. The Karate Team will be taking part in the following events (do note that there will be a limited number of entries that each participating country can send per event):

Events	Men	Women
Kata	Individual Kata	Individual Kata
	Team Kata	Team Kata
Kumite	55kg and below	50kg and below
	60kg and below	55kg and below
	67kg and below	61kg and below
	75kg and below	68kg and below
	84kg and below	Above 68kg
	Above 84kg	Team Kumite
	Team Kumite	

*Events are subject to change at the discretion of the ASEAN University Sports Council.

4.2. Each delegation is authorised to enter:

- 4.2.1. A maximum of 17 men competitors, 15 women competitors and 5 team officials. The number of team officials shall not exceed the number of competitors.

4.2.2. Kata Events: Maximum of 2 entries per Individual Kata event and 1 entry per Team Kata event. Each Team Kata shall consist of 3 athletes.

4.2.3. Kumite Events: Maximum of 1 entry per weight category event and 1 entry per Team Kumite event. Men Team Kumite shall comprise 7 competitors with 5 competitors competing in a round. Women Team Kumite shall comprise 4 competitors with 3 competitors competing in a round. All athletes are members of the team. There are no reserves.

4.2.4. In order to compete, men teams must present at least 3 competitors and women teams must present at least 2 competitors. A team with less than the required number of competitors will forfeit the match (Kiken).

** The list of events and the maximum delegation permitted are subject to confirmation by the AUG 2026 Organising Committee.*

5. Selection of Athletes

5.1. Selection and participation are open only to current and incoming students of SUSC member universities – NTU, NUS, SIM, SIT, SMU, SUSS, SUTD, in compliance with the eligibility criteria outlined in Clause 3. All interested students are required to approach their respective institutions and submit the registration form for the selection trials through their institutions by the stipulated deadline.

5.2. The criteria for athletes who wish to register interest and participate in the selection trials of the AUG Karate Team are as follows:

5.2.1. Not undergoing any disciplinary proceedings or serving any suspension by Karate-Do Union of Singapore (KUS) and SUSC member universities.

5.3. Selection details

5.3.1. The selection criteria are based on the following conditions to be considered:

5.3.1.1. Have a podium finish in one or more of the following competitions/games from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2026:

- Inter-varsity, Tertiary, Polytechnic & Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Karate Championship
- KUS National Karate Championship

5.3.1.2. Achievements from overseas championships could be considered if the following criteria are met:

- Within the qualifying period
- Accredited and sanctioned by KUS. (e.g. SEAKF, AKF, WKF championships)

- 5.3.1.3. SUSC, with the recommendation from KUS, will have the final decision.

6. Athletes' Obligations

- 6.1. Selected athletes must fully comply with SUSC and AUG rules, regulations and policies.
- 6.2. Selected athletes must fully comply with all anti-doping regulations. Athletes who require Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) have the duty to obtain one at least three months before the commencement of competition. Conduct themselves professionally as representatives of Singapore University Sports.
- 6.3. Selected athletes must maintain a level of fitness and performance consistent with the requirements of being a national representative.
- 6.4. Upon qualification, athletes must commit to at least 80% of all centralised training in preparations for AUG 2026. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from the team.

7. Coach Requirements

- 7.1. The appointed coach should hold minimally a KUS Certified Coach qualification (Kata and/or Kumite) to ensure the competency of the appointed coaches and that they possess a basic understanding of WKF rules.
- 7.2. The appointed coach must be in good standing with KUS and not be under any current suspension or disciplinary action imposed by KUS or WKF.
- 7.3. The appointed coach must be cleared by SUSC and KUS.

8. Cost and Funding

- 8.1. The participation cost per athlete will be shared at a later date. The cost includes accreditation fee, participation fee, travel expenses, insurance, attire, coaching, and others.
- 8.2. Selected athletes and/or the athletes' institution shall bear full cost of participating in AUG 2026, as well as the preparations leading up to it.
- 8.3. Athletes should check with their respective institutions with regards to subsidies, without which, the selected athlete is required to bear the full cost.
- 8.4. Selection does not constitute funding approval. Funding support varies across universities, and selected athletes should check directly with their respective university on available subsidies or support.