

# *Cuba aspires to participate in FISU America Games sports competition*

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Havana, December 20 (RHC)-- The National Sports Secretary of the Federation of University Students (FEU), Randy Bursal, announced Monday that Cuba aspires to participate in the international competition FISU America Games 2022, assumed by the Mexican University of Yucatan.

The leader told Prensa Latina news agency that the higher education center in the state of Merida is calling on all higher education students from the continent in 15 sports disciplines to participate in the competition, scheduled for October next year.

Burgal also pointed out that after an intense action in the fight against Covid-19 and the return to face-to-face teaching activities, the practice of physical exercise in the higher education centers of our country has increased.

He referred to the renewal and signing of the work agreement with the National Sports Institute, which contemplates in 2022 the realization by both organizations of competitions at the level of centers, the provincial competitions and the XV National Universiade in 2024.

In the calendar for the coming year, he highlighted that a judo championship for both sexes will be held in the context of the 100th anniversary of the FEU and the first national baseball tournament, scheduled for the months of May and October, respectively.

The FEU National Sports Secretary added that for the stage (2023-2024) the Interfaculty Games of the country's houses of higher studies will be held in Cuba, and subsequently the Provincial Games, qualifiers for the zonal competitions.

"These will grant the tickets assigned to the XV Universiade of 2024, as stipulated by the group of university sports of the Ministry of Higher Education," he said.

He stated that despite the pandemic, the students did not disengage from the sport.

"The digital platforms were a very useful support," said Burgal, who praised the performance of Cuban university athletes in the various online confrontations carried out in the last two years related to chess and the event called "The Challenge", among others.

He added that in this context will return the Caribbean Games of the University of Havana, the March 13 of the Technological University of Havana, Los Galenos of Medical Sciences and the Cimarrones of the University of Sport.

"In all of them, foreign students enrolled in Cuba will also be protagonists," the student leader said.

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