Exeter's Paul goes on trial

EXETER College student, Paul Castle, pictured right, has made a vital step towards achieving his ambition to represent his country at Volleyball.

This weekend he has been invited to attend the final trial for the British Students' team to compete at the World Student Games to be held at

Sheffield in July.

Paul, 19, only took up the sport two years ago when he joined a Leisure and Recreation course at Exeter College. There he came under the coaching influence of college lecturer Arthur Mosley, himself a former captain of Great Britain and veteran of 52 international appearances.

Arthur believes Paul has the ability to go all the way and earn a full international place. "He is certainly a better player than I was at his age," says Arthur. "He has done exceptionally well to get this far but I think he will be lucky to make the squad this time because he is up against some very talented and experienced 21-yearolds. But I am confident that, if he continues to work hard, he will make it eventually."

Whether or not he is selected for the World Student Games this year, Paul is determined to continue working towards an international place. "This trial will be a great experience for me," says Paul, "but after I've completed my BTEC National Diploma in Leisure Studies I'm hoping to obtain a Volleyball Scholarship to the USA. That would really give me a great opportunity to make the grade."

