

USGA P.J. Boatwright Jr. Internship – GSGA Foundation

Dates – Start/end dates are flexible: June – November

About the GSGA:

Founded in 1916, the Georgia State Golf Association (GSGA) received its official charter on June 24, 1924. Since that date, the GSGA has grown into one of the largest state amateur golf associations in the country, with nearly 320 member clubs and over 100,000 individual members. With a mission to serve and advance amateur golf in the state of Georgia, the GSGA offers a computerized handicapping service, course rating and measuring, and annually conducts a full schedule of statewide competitions for men and women of all age groups. Other services include a statewide junior golf and adaptive golf programs, award-winning Golf Georgia magazine, membership recognition and rewards programs, management of the Georgia Golf Hall of Fame and a charitable foundation.

About the GSGA Foundation:

The GSGA Foundation (GSGAF) is the charitable affiliate of the Georgia State Golf Association and exists to enrich the lives of others through the game of golf. The GSGA Foundation supports the golf industry in Georgia by providing educational opportunities through two scholarship programs. In addition, the GSGAF raises money for the GSGA Adaptive Golf Program and Junior Golf Initiatives, headlined by Youth on Course Georgia.

About the USGA P.J. Boatwright Jr. Internship Program:

The P.J. Boatwright, Jr. Internship was created to inspire and provide opportunities for qualified individuals interested in a career in golf administration, with a particular focus on attracting and developing a diverse pipeline of future leaders. The Program's further purpose is to support AGAs that administer USGA core functions.

Prior to his death in 1991, P.J. Boatwright, Jr. served the game of golf for many years as the Executive Director of Rules and Competitions for the United States Golf Association. He was most prominent during the U.S. Open, where he oversaw every phase of the competition. Furthermore, he was always on call to settle rules questions and was generally considered the world's leading authority on the Rules of Golf. The USGA perpetuates a memorial tribute to P.J. Boatwright, Jr. through funding of the internship program for state and regional golf associations across the country.

The GSGA will offer one paid, three-month internship within its Golf Development department for 2025, with an opportunity to gain experience in other core functions and departments of the GSGA. The start date of the internship is flexible but will be no later than May 15, 2025.

GSGA Internship Activities:

The orientation and training will include, but are not necessarily limited to, the following areas of service: assisting the GSGA Foundation with donor database management, donor stewardship, donor prospecting, event management, and enhancement activities of the Georgia Golf Hall of Fame.

The intern will also have the opportunity to assist with adaptive golf clinics, junior golf programming, and scholarship program events. If available, the intern may attend Boatwright Intern Orientation at USGA Headquarters in Far Hills, NJ, in May. USGA will pay for costs associated with attending the orientation including transportation, hotel and meals.

Requirements:

- Individual should have strong work ethic, be self-motivated and a team player.
- An interest in learning all aspects of golf administration, knowledge of the game of golf preferred.
- Willing to work weekends, early mornings and long days as needed.
- Computer literate using MS Office.
- Valid driver's license and dependable vehicle.
- Attention to detail; ability to multi-task; strong organizational and problem-solving skills.

Compensation:

- \$12.50/hour plus overtime pursuant to the GSGA Employee Handbook. Interns should expect to work on average 40 – 50 hours per week.
- Mileage reimbursement for work-related travel
- Travel expenses for work purposes will be covered by the GSGA (meals, lodging, etc.)
- Staff clothing provided

Where are they now?

Several past USGA P.J. Boatwright interns that have served with the GSGA went on to at one time obtain full-time positions in the sports industry, including:

- Will Cawthon (2023) Manager of Social Competitions, Chicago District Golf Association
- Rachel Wohn (2022) Manager of Tournament Communications, U.S. Kids Golf
- Katie Morgenroth (2021) Manager of Rules & Competitions, Tennessee Golf Association
- Ket Vanderpool (2017) Women's Golf Coach, Georgia State University
- Duncan Chau (2016) Director of Course Rating, Florida State Golf Association
- Colton Dean (2014) Manager of Championships (US Adaptive Open), United States Golf Association
- Tripp Pendergast (2013) Senior Director, GSGA Foundation & Donor Relations

Send cover letter/resume, including references via mail, e-mail or fax by January 17, 2025, to:

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