



USGA P.J. Boatwright Jr. Internship – 6-month Rules & Competitions Department

Dates – Start/end dates are flexible: May - October (6 months)

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 to one of the largest allied golf associations in the country, with close to 350 member clubs and 80,000 individual members. With a mission to promote and preserve amateur golf in the state of Georgia, 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 program, award-winning *Golf Georgia* magazine, membership recognition and rewards programs, management of the Georgia Golf Hall of Fame and the GSGA Foundation.

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 two paid internships within its Rules & Competitions Department in 2025, with each having the opportunity to gain experience in core functions and departments of the GSGA. The start date of both internships 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 Rules and Competitions department with championships, USGA qualifying, rules of golf, course marking and set-up, entry procedures and communication to players, assisting the Junior Golf department with the administration of events, customer service inquiries, managing tournament entries and training of summer staff members, Member Play Day Program and One Day Series administration, course rating and measuring, communications and marketing, handicapping, foundation activities and general office administration. If available, an 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 Cawthorn (2023)** – Manager of Social Competitions, Chicago District Golf Association
- **Katie Morganroth (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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