

# **Virginia State Golf Association Golf Course Turfgrass Management Internship** USGA P.J. Boatwright Internship

LENGTH: Three months (May-August) start and end dates flexible based on school scheduleLOCATION: On-site at one to three golf courses in Virginia (courses assigned after selection process) and at the Virginia State Golf Association office in Midlothian, VA

**DESCRIPTION:** The Virginia State Golf Association is seeking a USGA P.J. Boatwright Golf Course Turfgrass Management Intern to join our team for the upcoming golf season. This internship will provide a unique opportunity to work with an expert golf course superintendent at their facility to learn all aspects of a golf course maintenance operation. The intern will have exposure to all of the daily responsibilities of a golf course superintendent including managing a turfgrass best management practices program, staffing and scheduling, working within a budget and hands-on experience with daily operations.

## WHAT YOU WILL DO:

- Work with a superintendent at their facility to learn all aspects of the profession
- Assist with developing and/or maintaining a turfgrass best management practices program
- Assist with daily operations including mowing roughs, fairways and greens, maintaining bunkers, watering and irrigation system management, and golf course setup (tee marker placement, hole locations and course markings)
- Learn about methods and timing of fertilizer, herbicide and pesticide applications
- Learn how to work with and manage a team of employees including staff scheduling and communication
- Work with VSGA tournament staff to administer one or more championships or qualifiers
- Learn about other VSGA services, including USGA core services
- Lead small projects as directed

#### WHAT YOU BRING:

- Interest in a career as a golf course superintendent
- College degree (completed or in process)
- Valid driver's license
- Willingness to travel up to one hour to assigned golf course(s)
- Organization of tasks and exceptional time management skills are required
- Strong work ethic, communication skills (both verbal and written), and ability to work in a team environment

#### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

- Must be able to lift 40 pounds
- Operate heavy machinery
- Stand and walk for extended periods of time
- Work long hours starting very early in the morning and some weekends
- Work outside in extreme weather and temperatures

#### WHAT THE VSGA BRINGS:

- \$2,000 per month, plus overtime (if applicable)
- Staff apparel

**HOUSING & TRANSPORTATION:** The Intern must arrange for housing in the area and provide their own automobile transportation. Best efforts will be made to align golf course assignments with any housing arrangements the intern already has in place.

# ABOUT THE USGA P.J. BOATWRIGHT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:

In 1991, the USGA established the P.J. Boatwright Jr. Internship Program. This program is designed to give experience to individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in golf administration, while assisting state and regional golf associations in the promotion of amateur golf, on a short-term, entry-level basis. Learn more about the USGA's P.J. Boatwright program

**HOW TO APPLY:** To apply email a resume and cover letter to Courtney Hamlett at <u>cjones@vsga.org</u>. Applications will be accepted until December 31 or until the position has been filled.

## Please contact Courtney Hamlett with any questions:

Virginia State Golf Association 2400 Dovercourt Drive, Midlothian, Va. 23113 Email: <u>cjones@vsga.org</u> Phone: (804) 378-2300