



NCGA Superintendent Intern Program Overview

The Northern California Golf Association is accepting applications for its nationally recognized Superintendent Intern Program. **Four individuals will be placed in the program for 2010.**

The program (up to 18 months) trains qualified and motivated individuals in the basic skills needed for a career in golf course management.

To enter the post-graduate, paid program, candidates must have a two-year degree/certificate. A four-year degree is preferred. Course work must include agronomy, horticulture or turf management. Two years of prior work experience on a golf course is highly recommended.

The strength of the intern program lies in the on-the-job-training format. Interns complete 10 basic blocks of instruction which includes irrigation systems management, equipment operation, tournament preparation and equipment maintenance.

Throughout the program, interns are encouraged to participate in a variety of special events. Recently, interns worked at The Olympic Club in San Francisco to prepare the course for the United States Amateur Championship. Other events include the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, Wal-Mart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach and the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.

The NCGA requires interns to attend regional educational meetings as well as NCGA sponsored events such as a Rules of Golf workshop and the Assistant Superintendent Boot Camp. Interns are eligible to receive financial assistance to assist with travel and conference related expenses.

Enclosed is an application for the internship program. Additional applications may be downloaded at www.ncga.org/ncga-superintendent-intern-program/ . Questions may be directed to Mike McCullough, NCGA Director of Environmental and Water Resources at mike@ncga.org .

Applications must be received by November 3, 2009. The top 10 candidates will be notified by the week of November 9. Interviews will be scheduled the week of November 30. The host courses will then be revealed to these candidates. Internships begin in the spring of 2010.