

**Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association
Scholarship Application Booklet**

and

**The Robert M. Voorhees/Standard Golf Company
Scholarship Application**

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Iowa GCSA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Information for Applicants

General

The Iowa GCSA provides grants to advance education and science in the field of golf course management. The goal is to identify and recognize outstanding students who plan careers in golf course management or related field.

Criteria for Selection

The Iowa GCSA Scholarship Committee evaluates each applicant on:

- Academic excellence/G.P.A.
- Appropriate career preparation
- Potential to make an outstanding professional contribution.
- Essay question evaluation
- Class rank
- Reports from Academic Advisor and previous Employer/Superintendent.
- Completeness of this form

Eligibility

All applicants for scholarship grants, shall be currently enrolled in Turfgrass Management or related curriculums at Iowa Universities/Colleges, Iowa Area Technical Schools, Iowa Community colleges, and those students who are legal residents of the State of Iowa and who are enrolled in Turfgrass Management or Related curriculums at any University/College outside the State of Iowa. (Article VIII, section 4 of the bylaws of the Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association). **Applicant should be a member of the Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association.**

How to Apply

Students must complete the application form and provide recommendations from collegiate advisors and previous employers/superintendents using the forms included with the application. All forms and application materials must be followed and completed exactly as instructed. Substitutions of other materials in lieu of application forms will result in ineligibility of applicant. The Iowa GCSA scholarship committee will review applications each fall. Applications are evaluated based on the criteria above without regard to race, sex, creed, age, or national origin.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS IS OCTOBER 31.

Specifically, the Iowa Turfgrass Office must receive all application materials no later than October 31. Students are also responsible for ensuring that advisors and previous employers meet the deadline for their portion of the application process.

IOWA GCSA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Please type this entire form.

Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Social Security Number _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone () _____

Campus Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Campus Phone () _____

School where you are enrolled _____

Current major _____

Name of Advisor _____

Planned Degree _____

Date you plan to complete this degree _____

Grade Point Average _____

What degree(s), if any, do you already hold? (List degree, major and school)

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

Please answer the following questions (*please type*).

1. What contribution can you make to the Iowa GCSA in the first five years after graduation?

2. Why did you choose your current major?

List any academic distinctions and honors you have received:

High School

College

List school or college activities in which you have participated (athletics, clubs, school paper, fine arts, etc.).

High School

College

List activities outside of school or college (turf associations, clubs, organizations, community, etc., and any offices held).

List employment you have held in the past four years. Include military experience.

Type of Work	Employer and Address Supervisor and Phone Number	Employed From/To
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

In what ways have you contributed toward your financial support while in school or college?

While in college, are you contributing toward anyone else's support?

List any other scholarships awarded:

Scholarship	Sponsor	Date	Amount
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____

I certify the information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the committee's decision will be final.

Signed: _____
(Full Name of Applicant)

The applicant is responsible for the timely submittal of the attached Golf Course Superintendent's Report and the Advisor's Report. These must be delivered to the appropriate superintendents and advisor with a request that the forms be completed and returned to: Iowa Turfgrass Office, 17017 US Highway 69, Ames, IA 50010-9294

Summary of Scholarship Application Procedures

1. Applicant must meet all criteria and satisfy all requirements as described in the proceeding pages.
2. Applicants must submit the following to the Iowa GCSA Scholarship Committee to be received no later than October 31st.
3. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the following items are submitted to the Iowa GCSA Scholarship Committee and received by the Iowa Turfgrass Office no later than October 31st:
 - Golf Course Superintendent's Report
 - College Advisor's Report

Iowa GCSA Scholarship Application
Academic Advisor's Report
(Please type entire form)
Deadline - Must be received by October 31st.

Candidate _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

This report should be made by the advisor designated by the candidate. Please mail the completed report to the address at the bottom of this form. All responses are confidential.

How well does this student study independently? _____

Does the applicant have well-defined objectives? _____

Does the applicant exhibit leadership qualities? _____

Has the applicant been a superior, good, indifferent, or poor citizen of the school?

Does the applicant intend to pursue golf course management as a career?

Class rank? _____ In a class of _____
(Highest is 1) (Number in Class)

The goal of the Iowa GCSA is to identify tomorrow's leading professionals. Does this applicant meet that goal? Why?

I do _____ do not _____ recommend that this student be granted a scholarship.

Signed _____

School _____ Date _____

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Iowa GCSA Scholarship Application
Golf Course Superintendent's Report
Deadline - Must be received by October 31st

Candidate _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Character and Personality Ratings

	Below Average	Average	Good	Excellent (top 10% but not top 2-3%)	Truly Outstanding (top 2-3%)
Motivation					
Creative Qualities					
Self-discipline					
Growth Potential					
Leadership					
Self-confidence					
Concern for others					

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Would this person, in your opinion, be a positive influence on the profession as a golf course Superintendent? Why?

Would you hire this candidate? _____

Name _____

Signature _____

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