LIBERTY CORNER, N.J., May 11, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- The United States Golf Association (USGA), through its Allied Golf Associations located in every state, is providing 121 paid internships in 2018, helping to empower college students and qualified applicants with valuable experience toward a career in golf administration.

Members of the class of 2018 will serve as full-time staff at 59 Allied Golf Associations in the United States, Puerto Rico and Mexico. Lasting between three and 12 months, the internships provide direct exposure to managing all aspects of the game, including conducting competitions, junior golf programs and supporting membership initiatives.

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Interns visited the USGA campus inLiberty Corner, N.J., this week for a two-day orientation, with USGA subject-matter experts leading training sessions on topics such as championship administration, community outreach programming, course rating, agronomy, Rules, golf handicapping and partnerships.

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Alumni of the Boatwright program have advanced to successful golf careers throughout the world, including 128 current employees of state and regional golf associations, 16 current USGA staff members and many golf companies and courses throughout the country.

"The 12-month P.J. Boatwright internship opportunity paved the way for my career and allowed me to build a comprehensive foundation in all areas of the business," said Jesse Menachem, Mass Golf executive director and former Boatwright intern. "I've now had the privilege to work with several former Boatwright interns and, to this day, I'm able to lean on the network of alumni from across the entire golf industry to learn, ask questions and to share best practices."

Many short- and long-term 2018 funded internships remain available in several states, includingAlaska, Arizona, California, Nevada, Vermont and others. To learn more and to view a list of opportunities, visit http://www.usga.org/about/p-j--boatwright-internship---golf-administration-.html

About the USGA

The USGA celebrates, serves and advances the game of golf. Founded in 1894, we conduct many of golf's premier professional and amateur championships, including the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open. With The R&A, we govern the sport via a global set of playing, equipment and amateur status rules. Our operating jurisdiction for these governance functions is the United States, its territories and Mexico. The USGA Handicap System is utilized in more than 40 countries and our Course Rating System covers 95 percent of the world's golf courses, enabling all golfers to play on an equitable basis. The USGA campus in Liberty Corner, New Jersey, is home to the Association's Research and Test Center, where science and innovation are fueling a healthy and sustainable game for the future. The campus is also home to the USGA Golf Museum, where we honor the game by curating the world's most comprehensive archive of golf artifacts. To learn more, visit usga.org.

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