

# What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Science

## Professional Golf Management

College of Food, Agricultural, & Environmental Sciences

The professional golf management student will study every aspect of the golf industry—including finance, marketing, food and beverage management, turfgrass science, HR management and the game of golf—toward the ultimate goal of becoming a member of the PGA of America. Unlike most other majors, the professional golf management (PGM) program requires 16–20 months of internship experiences that are chosen by the student with the assistance of the internship coordinator. <sup>1</sup> The PGM program at The Ohio State University has two requirements for admission. The first is general admission to the University and the second is proof of an 18-hole golf handicap of 10 or better. This second requirement provides evidence that PGM students have the potential to pass the PGA of America's™ Playing Ability Test (PAT).<sup>1</sup>

### Career Areas/Job Titles:

#### Management and Industry

Director of Golf  
Head Golf Professional  
Tournament Director  
Golf Manufacturer Sales Rep.  
Golf Association Administrator  
Golf Club Repair Specialist

Merchandising Director  
Rules Official  
Golf Shop Manager  
Resort Manager  
Equipment Testing Manager  
**Communication and Media**  
Golf Journalist

#### Education

Director of Instruction  
Professor  
K-12 Golf Coach

*\*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

### Transferable Skills:

Artistic Design	Social Perceptiveness	Initiative
Business Fundamentals	Teaching/Instructing Others	Managing Time/Stress
Economics and Accounting	Developing Evaluation Strategies	Administrative Skills
Editing	Forecasting/Predicting	Prioritizing Tasks
Listening Skills	Research Skills	Strategic Planning/Visioning
Provide/Respond to Feedback	Setting Goals	Multi-tasking
Speaking Effectively	Adaptability/Flexibility	Analytical/Critical Thinking
Use Technology Effectively	Attention to Detail	Problem Solving
Written Communication	Judgment & Decision Making	*Internship Required
Motivating Others		

*\*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:*

<http://www.ccss.osu.edu>

### Professional Links:

OSU PGM Club

United States Golf Managers Association:

<https://golfmanagementassociation.com/professional-golf-management/>

Professional Golf Teachers Association of America: <http://www.pgtaa.com/>

The PGA of America: <http://www.pga.com/home/>