

UNLV PGM Internship Overview

The application of classroom learning to professional practice is a crucial element in the education of students who are preparing for careers in golf management. The Professional Golf Management Program within the Leisure Studies Program at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) is committed to a process which will provide students with practical learning experiences under the direct supervision of well-qualified and experienced golf professionals and the ongoing tutorial supervision of a University faculty member.

The PGM internship is a full-time work experience that requires 40 hours per week at an approved golf facility. Successful completion of 16 months (64 weeks) of internship experience is required of each student seeking a Bachelor of Science and a major in Recreation with a concentration in Professional Golf Management. Students will complete a minimum of five internships in order to fulfill the 16 months (64 weeks) required. Students will be limited to interning no more than twice (2) at any given facility. Additionally, PGM students should complete internship work experiences at a minimum of three (3) different types of facilities such as private, daily fee, resort, governmental golf facilities, a PGA section office or PGA/LPGA Headquarters.

The primary purpose of the Internship is to enable each student to meet their educational objectives through participation in well-planned and organized practical experiences. The PGM Internship Coordinator, in cooperation with the site PGA professional or supervisor and student, will plan a comprehensive practical experience that meets the educational needs of the student and the requirements of the PGA PGM curriculum. Internship sites will offer a variety of professional experiences including, but not limited to, outside operations, inside operations, turfgrass management, tournament and event management and food and beverage operations. The PGM program must conduct an evaluation of each internship site prior to placement of students.