

UM Students Excel in a Tough Turf Test At the GCSAA Turf Bowl in Orlando

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For those of you who are unaware of the Turf Bowl, it is simply put as one of the hardest tests a student will take before leaving school and moving on into the industry. Every year at the National GCSAA Conference students from across the country get together in teams of four, from their respective schools, and compete in what is known as the Turf Bowl. The Turf Bowl is a test that consists of up to 10 different sections relating to golf course functions including an essay and lasting up to three hours.

This year the University of Minnesota Turf Club sent three teams to compete in the Turf Bowl. For a second year in a row two of the teams consisted of students who were first time attendees, while the third team consisted of four returning attendees to the event.



The returning team who took the test included Ryan Browning, Joel Hanson, Anders Lindberg and Charles Fischer. Expectations were set high for this team by advisors and instructors. This team of four individuals, met the task head on, placed 13th overall and 3rd in the essay among 92 other teams. This finish was one

of the highest placements a University of Minnesota Turf Club team has ever achieved in the 14 years the Turf Bowl has been in existence. All four team members will be graduating this spring and look forward to utilizing their knowledge gained from their experience.

Congratulations to all members of the Turf Club for their participation and we all hope to hear about your placement in the future.

The U of M Turf Club would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for their support and generosity. If it were not for those Superintendents donating golf passes for the raffle and allowing us to volunteer for donation, we would never be able to send so many students to take part in such a great learning experience.

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