**Position:** Student Summer Intern

**Benefits:** $10-12/hour + housing, lunch, uniforms, pro shop discount, and golf privileges

**Educational Requirements:** Applicants must be in pursuit of a degree or certification in Turf Management or Agronomy from an accredited university.

**Experience Requirements:** Previous golf course experience is essential. The successful applicant will be approved by the Superintendent as well as by the Board of Directors of the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association.

**Special Requirements:** A motivated individual will be able to achieve a superior learning experience while handling duties similar to that of an Assistant Superintendent, including planning and leading staff activities. This position is one of 17 sponsored nationwide by the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association for 2017. The Student Intern will be asked to provide brief remarks

to the TMGA at the conclusion of the Internship.

**Course** **Background:** Wichita Country Club is located in a narrow band of the transition zone which requires turf managers to apply strategies for both cool season and warm season grasses. Due to the challenges associated with these conditions, the

transition zone is an ideal location for Student Interns to gain valuable experience

with a variety of turfgrasses.

In 2014, the Club made the decision to convert all cool season primary rough to Riviera Bermuda. This was done primarily for water conservation while at the same time improving playing conditions during the hot summer months.

Following the rough conversion, the club began Phase I of a Master Plan which included a complete remodel of the existing bunkers. The bunker project was completed in the Spring of 2016 with 70 new Better Billy Bunkers constructed using Arkansas Premier White Sand.

Both projects have been highly successful, placing Wichita Country Club on the leading edge of creating sustainable golf courses for the state of Kansas. 2017 looks to be a continuation of our goal of maintaining a course with reduced inputs focused on playability and player enjoyment.

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