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Amy had the wonderful opportunity to intern at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club and takes pride in capitalizing upon this undergraduate experience. It was a big leap of faith for her to move to a country that she had never visited. Amy not only had to adjust to a new work environment, she had to adjust to an entirely new culture. The AELTC is a very prestigious facility and is home to the premier grass tennis courts in the world; it was an honor to work for the Club. It was an amazing experience for Amy and as a result, she now has an international network of contacts in the industry. She worked hard and gained the trust, respect, and friendship of many of her coworkers.

Receiving the MacCurrach Award through the GCSAA's Scholars Competition is another undergraduate opportunity that has been a source of achievement for Amy. The MacCurrach Award is the second-place award in the competition and is funded by the PGA Tour. While universities with larger turfgrass programs usually produce the winners of the scholars competition, it was great for the smaller program to be recognized. Not only was Amy awarded the \$5,000 scholarship, her trip to the Golf Industry Show in San Diego in February 2019 was completely covered. Amy was given access to exclusive receptions where she was able to network with a wide variety of industry professionals.

A point of pride for Amy is that she has done well academically while balancing heavier course loads to graduate ahead of schedule, in just three years. It can take time to adapt to new surroundings, but Amy jumped feet first into the college experience (10 hours away from home), set her academic goals high and achieved them.

Amy's academic achievements include: Association Scholarship | Jack Nicklaus/Toro Scholarship | The Lawn Institute Scholarship | Columbus District Golf Association Jack Kidwell Scholarship | Ohio Sports Turf Managers Association | Darien Daily Internship Grant | Ohio Turf Foundation | R.D. Baker Memorial Scholarship | Central Ohio Golf Course Superintendents Association | Glenn B. Hudson Scholarship | Golf Course Superintendents Association of America | Scholars Competition-MacCurrach Award.

After graduation, Amy will be attending graduate school at Mississippi State University. She is excited to further her education and contribute research to the turfgrass industry. Amy is also excited to move to a new state, meet new people, and work with warm-season grasses.

While only able to select one mentor to recognize officially during the awards program, all of the turfgrass professors have been supportive of Amy's educational journey. As her primary mentor, she selected Dr. Karl Danneberger, she explains, "Dr. Danneberger has always been available to talk to and has given great advice about my time in school, in internships, and my future career. He has helped me through first expressing interest in graduate school to deciding where to attend. Pam Sherratt has also been influential, as she was one of the main reasons, I chose Ohio State originally. It was through her contacts I was able to intern at the AELTC this past summer."