

Comprehensive guide to starting a team



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What is the NCCGA?

The NCCGA is the leading national entity supporting non-varsity collegiate club golf. We support more than 350 schools and 10000 students playing club golf every year.

Quick NCCGA Facts

- 29 Regions (And Growing!)
- 2-3 Tournaments per semester in each region
- Two National events per year
- Tournaments are 2 day/36 holes
- Clubs can bring 5-8 players per team + B/C/D teams
- Top 5 scores count towards team total each day
- Top teams receive bids to Nationals each semester



Expenses?

The NCCGA aims to keep costs as low as possible. Here are some standard costs for club golf teams:

- Team Dues (\$450 per semester)
- Tournament fees (\$85-115 per tournament per player)
- Teams budget for things like gas, hotels and travel to regional events
- Nationals \$400 per person + lodging and practice rounds





What are my first steps?

Contact Campus Rec

Contacting your school's club sports/rec department is the best way to begin the process of starting a club golf team. While the NCCGA does not require teams to be official with the school, being official can lead to funding from your university.



Traditional School Requirements

- Create a Club Constitution
- Minimum amount of participating students
- A leadership board (President, VP, Treasurer etc)
- Student signatures
- A budget
- A schedule of events
- Campus involvement





How do clubs find players for my team?

Regardless of becoming official with the school, you will need to find players to play on the team:

- Talk with friends, fraternity members, classmates etc about golf and playing
- Collect email addresses or phone numbers to contact members about practices and club meetings
- Speak with professors and administrators about helping find students
- Post in the class facebook groups and hang flyers
- Create a club social media presence to help market to new students
- Talk with the athletic department and varsity coaches about getting players
- Ask the local course PGA Professional about students who play



Contacting a local course for play

Tips and Tricks

One challenge new teams have is finding a place to practice and play. Keep these tips in mind when finding a course:

- Contact multiple facilities. Depending on the size of the course and whether it is public or private, that can have a big effect on access.
- Be flexible - Getting a relationship with the closest golf course is nice but may be impractical. Look around campus in a 10-20 minute drive to see what facilities there are.
- Let the course know how many players you have and when you would be willing to play and ask the course when they are less busy.
- Provide options - When contacting a golf course about playing options, providing different options to the course pro will help them figure out a solution which can work. Options include memberships, discounted pay per round, range memberships only, 9 hole discounts, or even working relationships where your team can work at the course for playing privileges.
- Be personal - Going to the course and shaking hands with the golf professional is much better than trying to arrange a course partnership over the phone or email. Be kind, humble, and thankful.



Other Resource Links



Items of Interest

- [7 Fundraising Tips for Clus](#)
- [6 Fun Fundraiser Ideas](#)
- [Sample Semester Budget](#)
- [How to Manage the Budget](#)

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