

The Oregon GCSA Oregon State University Turfgrass  
Management Application Form

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Section 1 – Applicant Information

Name Michael Langman Date 9-14-2023

Club: Chambers Bay Golf Course

Preferred Mailing (Club or home) Address

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Section 2 – Employer information if applicant is not an Oregon  
GCSA Member


Name of Member ERIC W. JOHNSON

Club: CHAMBERS BAY GOLF COURSE

Cell Phone (253) 273-0741 Email ewjohnson@kempersports.com

Member Since 1992-2013, 2022-PRESENT  
(Month/Year)

Current Classification B

Member's Signature 

Section 3 – Work History & Activities

List in chronological order work history in related turfgrass industry

| Type of work                     | Employer | Employment dates |
|----------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| No previous turfgrass experience |          |                  |
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List your activities outside of work (clubs, organizations, community service, etc.):

None

**Section 4 – Applicant Letter of Interest**

Attach a typed letter of interest that does not exceed 500 words. The letter of interest must be original and not previously submitted to Oregon GCSA. The letter should cover the following:

1. Why are you interested in completing the Oregon State University (OSU) Turfgrass Management PACE course and how will assist you in your career in the industry?

**Section 5 – Oregon GCSA Member letter of recommendation**

**Non-Oregon GCSA members:** Attach a letter of recommendation from sponsoring Oregon GCSA member. The letter of recommendation must be composed on official letterhead, dated and signed. The letter of recommendation must be original and not previously submitted to Oregon GCSA.

**Oregon GCSA Members:** Attach a letter of recommendation from an industry peer, club management or club member.

**Certification**

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
(Applicant's Signature)

9-14-2023  
(Date)

**Michael J. Langman**

5213 S Orchard Street, Apt. D, Tacoma, WA 98467 – [Michael.Langman093@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.Langman093@gmail.com)

September 14, 2023

OGCSA Scholarship Committee  
Oregon GCSA  
P.O. Box 1556  
Oregon City, OR 97045

To the OGCSA Scholarship Committee,

I am applying for the Oregon State University Turfgrass Management PACE Course Series Scholarship for the Turfgrass Management Certificate Program offered at OSU. I have been employed at Chambers Bay Golf Course in University Place, Washington since September 2019. I am currently enrolled in the OSU Turfgrass Management Certificate Program this fall semester starting October 2023.

Having no prior experience in the turfgrass industry, I started at Chambers Bay as a Greenkeeper and have worked my way up to Second Assistant. I also joined the Chambers Bay Safety Program and acquired my Washington Pesticide license. Over time, my role at Chambers Bay has expanded to include responsibilities such as: Integrated Pest Management, equipment operations, sod repair and installation, course maintenance and new employee training. I have been a part of the turfgrass industry for the last four years and have gained a new level of respect and interest in the industry. I now want to further my education in the field.

I spent the summer of 2022 researching education opportunities and decided that the OSU Turfgrass Management Certificate Program was the ideal place to start my schooling in the turfgrass industry. I am confident that by gaining the skills and knowledge the course provides, it will help me in my advancement in the industry to First Assistant and accomplish any additional goals in my turfgrass career. I hope that by applying and being considered for the PACE Course Series Scholarship I can become an excellent addition to the turf industry wherever my employment takes me.

I greatly appreciate the Scholarship Committee's time in reviewing my application and look forward to hearing the results of the board's decision.

Sincerely,

Michael Langman

Eric Johnson  
Regional Director of Agronomy  
KemperSports  
Chambers Bay  
6320 Grandview Drive West  
University Place, WA 98467

September 11, 2023

OGCSA Scholarship Committee  
Oregon GCSA  
P.O. Box 1556  
Oregon City, OR 97045

Dear OGCSA Scholarship Committee:

I am writing this in support of Michael Langman's application for the Oregon State University Turfgrass Management PACE Course Scholarship. This Fall, Michael is enrolled in the OSU PACE Turfgrass Management Program, beginning his formal education in our industry.

Michael has been with us at Chambers Bay since September 2019. Initially starting as a Greenkeeper, and gaining experience and responsibilities over the past 4 years, he is now one of our Turf Technicians (2nd Assistant). His work ethic and attitude have served him well to where we are confident that he can successfully accomplish any assignment at Chambers Bay. In addition to his responsibilities as a Turf Technician, Michael is a member of the Chambers Bay Safety Committee. His experience on the golf course and ongoing interest in enhancing property-wide safety, has contributed to the continued improvement of the Chambers Bay Safety Program and, ultimately, attaining our goal of zero lost-time accidents,

Over the past couple seasons Michael has expressed interest in a career path in Turfgrass Management. After discussing his goals and career path, he researched his options and made the decision to enroll in the OSU PACE Turfgrass Program. His curiosity and eagerness to learn are attributes that will benefit the Turfgrass Program and our industry. As demonstrated by his enrollment in the OSU Turfgrass Program while continuing to work on the golf course, he is committed to learning and furthering his turfgrass career.

I am very confident Michael will be successful in his future endeavors in the Turfgrass Industry and I fully support his application for the OSU Turfgrass Management PACE Course Scholarship.

Sincerely

Eric Johnson  
Regional Director of Agronomy