

**UNL turf bowl team finishes in top 10 at the GCSAA Turf Bowl**

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Congratulations to the 2017 Nebraska turf bowl team for finishing 8<sup>th</sup> out of 58 teams from around the world at the 2017 GCSAA Turf Bowl Competition. The team is made up of four UNL TLMT students, Jacob Fuehrer, Andrew Getty, Matt Hellbusch, and Nick Meister. They were advised and coached by Anne Streich, Associate Professor of Practice in the Department of Agronomy and Horticulture at UNL. This was the first time the Nebraska turf bowl team placed in the top 10 at the annual GCSAA Turf Bowl.

The team studied during the fall, and relied on their UNL education to help them achieve this result. The four-hour exam consists of questions related to plant physiology, soil and water management, turf culture, IPM, business management and budgeting. The exam also has a grass, pest, and equipment part identification section and an essay-based case study. Clearly, these students needed to be on their game.

It was great to watch the team make their way toward the front podium to accept their award from GCSAA President, Mr. Pete Grass. The University of Nebraska fight song was playing in the background. We are so proud of the way this team represented the UNL Turfgrass Program. A majority of the team will be graduating before the 2018 turf bowl, so Professor Streich will have to rely on the other talented students to continue the positive momentum going forward. They have left some big shoes to fill. Be sure to congratulate these individuals when you see them in the future. Go Big Red!

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Congratulations to the 2017 GCSAA Turf Bowl team from UNL for their Top 10 finish last week in Orlando. (From left to right) Pete Grass, GCSAA President, Andrew Getty, Nick Meister, Matt Hellbusch, Jacob Fuehrer and team advisor and coach Anne Streich.

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