BIG PLANS FOR RUTGERS GOLF

BUILDING A NEW INDOOR PRACTICE FACILITY

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Big Opportunity, Big Challenge

Rutgers Golf is now competing in the Big Ten®, the nation’s most prestigious academic and athletic conference. This is both an unparalleled opportunity and a tremendous challenge.

It’s an opportunity for Rutgers’ men’s and women’s golf teams to raise their game and rise to the level of play the Big Ten requires. It’s a challenge because the teams they will be competing against have a distinct advantage: state-of-the-art indoor practice facilities that allow them to train year-round.

For Rutgers Golf to compete as a Big Ten program, its coaches need a competitive advantage in recruiting and retaining the most talented student-athletes. Right now, the best way to provide that advantage is to build a new indoor practice facility.
Weather Hazard

To compete against the exceptional golf programs in the Big Ten, Rutgers needs to overcome the inherent obstacle of its location in the Northeast: winter.

• Many of the country’s best golfers are raised in the warm climates of the south, and even top golfers from the north are easily attracted to southern universities with optimal year-round training conditions.

• While other Big Ten schools have climates comparable to Rutgers’, they still have an advantage in recruiting the best student-athletes: multimillion-dollar indoor practice facilities that level the playing field with southern universities. Rutgers lacks such a facility, severely limiting opportunities to train in winter.

“One of the first questions I am asked when recruiting is what facilities does the golf team have access to, and that is followed up with, what do we do in winter? If we are going to compete head-to-head for players with other Big Ten schools, we have to have comparable facilities.”

~
Kari Williams
Head Women’s Golf Coach
Playing Smart

Rutgers is raising funds to build a new indoor practice facility that will be on par with those of its Big Ten peers.

The new facility will feature some of the same cutting-edge technologies used by the PGA, USGA, and R&A:

• Trackman Pro, the industry standard in swing and ball flight analysis
• SAM Putting Lab, which provides detailed evaluations of putting mechanics for an improved short game

The facility will also provide the teams with additional study space, locker rooms, and the opportunity to practice and build confidence 365 days a year.

Big Impact

With a comprehensive, high-tech indoor facility in place, there will be nothing stopping Rutgers Men’s and Women’s Golf from successfully competing for championships in the Big Ten.

To build this new $3.8 million facility, Rutgers needs to raise $1.75 million in donor support. Naming opportunities start at $2,500, payable over a period of up to five years. All gifts will be appropriately recognized in the new facility.
“THE SHORT GAME IS WHERE A ROUND CAN BE SAVED OR A PLAYER CAN GO LOW. THE SAM PUTT LAB WILL PROVIDE OUR PLAYERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPROVE THEIR PUTTING. IT WILL RESULT IN PLAYER CONFIDENCE, BETTER PRACTICES, LOWER SCORES, AND WINNING.”

~
Rob Shutte
HEAD MEN’S GOLF COACH

Join us in supporting the student-athletes on our Rutgers Men’s and Women’s Golf teams with the facility they need and deserve to perform at their highest levels.

For more information, contact Andy Sisti, director of development, at 848-932-2291 or asisti@winants.rutgers.edu.

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