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**KIIRA RIIHIJARVI NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE 2020 DIVISION II  
JULI INKSTER SENIOR AWARD PRESENTED BY WORKDAY**

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida (May 15, 2020) – The Women's Golf Coaches Association has announced that Kiira Riihijarvi of the University of Tampa has been named the recipient of the inaugural Division II Juli Inkster Senior Award Presented by WorkDay.



Kiira Riihijarvi acceptance video: <https://vimeo.com/418948911>

The Juli Inkster Senior Award Presented by WorkDay recognizes the highest ranked women's collegiate golfer on Golfstat in her final year of NCAA eligibility. The award is presented separately to the top Division I, II and III players. The recipient must be academically eligible per NCAA rules and have played a minimum of 12 rounds (reduced to six for the shortened 2019-20 season) during the year.

A native of Oulu Finland, Riihijarvi placed first in four of six tournaments during the 2019-20 campaign, including the first three of the season. She posted a 70.50 scoring average, which ranks first in the University of Tampa record books, and finished below par in four tournaments, including a season low three-round score of 208 (-8) at the Lady Moc Classic. Riihijarvi concludes her Spartan career with a 73.65 stroke average over 98 rounds, the best career stroke average in Tampa women's golf history.

**About the Women's Golf Coaches Association**

The Women's Golf Coaches Association, founded in 1983, is a non-profit organization representing women's collegiate golf coaches. The WGCA was formed to encourage the playing of college golf for women in correlation with a general objective of education and in accordance with the highest tradition of intercollegiate competition. Today, the WGCA represents over 650 coaches throughout the U.S. and is dedicated to educating, promoting and recognizing both its members and the student-athletes they represent.

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