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**LEONA MAGUIRE NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE 2018 EDITH CUMMINGS MUNSON GOLF AWARD**

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida (July 12, 2018) – Duke University senior Leona Maguire has been named recipient of the 2018 Edith Cummings Munson Golf Award.



The award is presented annually for Women's Division I Golf and goes to the student-athlete who is an upper classman and both a WGCA All-American Scholar and a WGCA All-American. If more than one student-athlete qualifies, the student-athlete with the highest GPA receives the award. A donation of \$5,000 is given from the Curtis & Edith Cummings Munson Foundation to the general scholarship fund of the recipient's institution.

Previous winners of this award include Stephanie Meadow (2013 and 2014), Brooke Pancake (2011 and 2012), Azahara Munoz (2008 and 2009) and Amanda Blumenherst (2006).

Maguire was named a WGCA First Team All-American after posting the second-lowest stroke average in Duke's history (70.62) and collecting a school-record 25 rounds of even or under par rounds, which ranks second in the NCAA record books. She posted nine top-10 finishes, including winning the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) individual title and finishing runner-up at the NCAA Madison Regional.

Maguire also won the award in 2017 and is one of only four student-athletes to receive the award multiple times. Last year, she became just the second student-athlete to be named the PING WGCA Player of the Year and recipient of the Edith Cummings Munson Golf Award in the same year.

A four-time WGCA All-American Scholar, Maguire has a 3.943 cumulative GPA as a psychology major.

**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 600 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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