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VIVIAN HOU NAMED 2019-20 DIVISION I WGCA FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida (April 23, 2020) – The Women's Golf Coaches Association has announced that Vivian Hou of the University of Arizona has been named the 2019-20 Division I WGCA Freshman of the Year.



Vivian Hou acceptance video: <https://vimeo.com/411069127>

The WGCA Freshman of the Year Award is awarded annually to the top Freshman in Division I, II, III and NAIA women's golf. Freshmen must have competed in a minimum of eight competitive rounds to be considered. The recipient is selected by a prestigious collection of women's collegiate golf coaches who follow criteria that has been established to identify the top freshman for the past year. These criteria include:

- Adjusted scoring average for the year.
- Place finishes in regular season events.
- Head to head comparisons against the top 60 in the Golfstat Rankings.
- Comparison of Common Opponents.
- Strength of Schedule.

Hou, a native of Taipei, Taiwan, finished her freshman campaign with a stroke average of 70.68. She finished in fourth-place or better in six of the seven tournaments she competed in, including runner-up finishes at the ANNIKA Intercollegiate, Stanford Intercollegiate and the Arizona Wildcat Invitational. Hou recorded 16 rounds of par or better in only 19 rounds played during the 2019-20 season.

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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