

Tripp Davis Redesign of the University of Oklahoma's Jimmie Austin Golf Club Showcased on Golfweek's annual Best Campus Courses List



Norman, OK (August 29, 2019)— The Jimmie Austin Golf Club course at the University of Oklahoma underwent a major renovation recently by golf course architect Tripp Davis, and as a result the course jumped 14 spots to # 6 on Golfweek's 2019 Best Campus Courses List, which was announced this week.

Originally designed and built by native Oklahoman Perry Maxwell in the early 1950's, the Jimmie Austin Golf Club course was reworked by Bob Cupp in 1996. The objective of Davis's work was to adapt the course to the way the modern college players play, giving it the flexibility to strategically challenge the best men and women players in college golf, while establishing an historic and visually interesting style.

"I am pleased that Golfweek magazine recognized the significant improvements we made at the Jimmie Austin Golf Club and named the course at # 6 on their ranking of the best collegiate courses in the U.S.," said Davis. "Today's top college golfers are playing a great deal differently than they did 25 years ago and the work we did at OU was to adapt to those changes while making sure the golf course has the flexibility to be set up in a way that would strategically challenge all players. Although the course can be set up to play quite long, we didn't want length to be the dominant strength a player needs to play well. We wanted to make the ability to score as the most important strength."