



United States Blind Golf Association

# Breaking Barriers:

## How Ameer Eldomiatti Uses Curiosity and Determination to Succeed

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At 29, Ameer Eldomiatti has never let being legally blind since age 11 define his limits. His journey began long before he ever gripped a golf club, through writing sports columns for the University of Minnesota Gophers Athletic Department, interning with the St. Paul Saints Minor League Baseball Club Marketing Department, and embracing challenges that required persistence, creativity, and adaptability. His latest venture, a firsthand experience with golf, offers a vivid example of how curiosity, adaptability, and determination have shaped Ameer, preparing him to contribute meaningfully in a professional environment.

Ameer first became involved with the United States Blind Golf Association (USBGA) during its 79th National Championship at Oak Marsh Golf Course in Oakdale, Minnesota, in mid-September 2025. He attended intending to volunteer, which led to an interview where he shared his story and aspirations. That conversation sparked a curiosity that led to a later visit to Crystal Lake Golf Club in Lakeville, where Ameer held a variety of clubs, including a putter, a variety of drivers, and irons, and putted balls on a green for the very first time. During his time on the driving range and practice putting green, Ameer worked with a coach who guided him on club selection and helped line up his shots, while the rules of the game remained the same, allowing him to fully experience golf just like any other player.

Standing on the practice putting green in mid-October, Ameer focused on the sound of each ball dropping into the cup. He used his sensory feedback to guide his understanding of the game. ***“I was surprised at how much I could pick up just from the sound and feel of the ball,”*** he said. At the driving range, he explored grips, stances, and swings. ***“It was about curiosity, patience, and learning something completely new,”*** Ameer reflected. The experience highlighted his adaptability and problem-solving skills.

This mindset has been consistent throughout Ameer’s professional and personal experiences. While completing his Bachelor’s in Communications and Masters of Education and Sports Management at the University of Minnesota, he began writing for the Gophers, producing over 20 articles. Using a screen reader and audio feedback, he adapted his workflow, learning to work efficiently and independently. ***“I’ve always had to think differently about tasks, which has made me creative in problem-solving,”*** he said.

Ameer's one-year internship with the St. Paul Saints Minor League Baseball Club Marketing Department reinforced his passion for sports and teamwork. He collaborated closely with marketing team members on communications projects, learning how coordination, planning, and patience contribute to overall success. ***“Sports and teamwork teach patience and strategy, which I apply in every job or project,”*** he explained.

Beyond formal work and academics, Ameer maintains a disciplined routine, exercising daily and seeking new challenges. These habits demonstrate his perseverance and self-motivation, qualities that translate directly to professional settings. ***“I want employers to see that with the right tools and determination, I can succeed in any role,”*** he said.

Ameer's experiences offer insight into how he approaches professional opportunities: combining technical skills with collaboration, problem-solving, and resilience. For companies seeking employees who can navigate complexity, innovate, and maintain a proactive mindset, Ameer represents a rare candidate. His story shows that challenges can become opportunities to contribute meaningfully. ***“For me, challenges are not obstacles but opportunities to grow, learn, and contribute,”*** he added.

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