



UW-MADISON TURFGRASS SCIENCE

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UW-Madison Turfgrass Apprenticeship Program

This non-credit apprenticeship program combines classroom knowledge with on-the-job skills to prepare students for professional careers in the turfgrass management industry. Students come to UW-Madison's campus to take turfgrass management classes every Tuesday through Thursday during two 6-week sessions in the winter (Nov. – Feb.). After the coursework ends, students work with an employer (golf course, athletic facility, etc) to complete the apprenticeship program by mastering skills in the field necessary for a leadership position in turfgrass management. This program is ideal for those currently working in the turfgrass industry who are looking to advance their career.



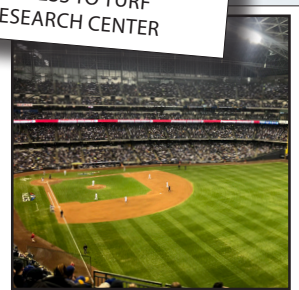
INTERNSHIPS ON WORLD CLASS GOLF COURSES!



HANDS-ON LEARNING EXPERIENCES



ACCESS TO TURF RESEARCH CENTER



OPPORTUNITIES IN SPORTS TURF & LAWN CARE



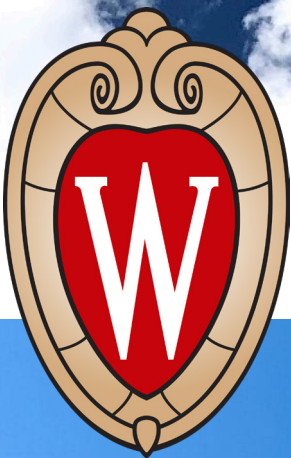
Four-year college students receive a strong background in the social, mathematical, communication, physical and biological sciences. This is the foundation which students use to progress to advanced courses related to turfgrass management. The graduate has a variety of options for employment and professional certification, provides increased flexibility to change careers or to pursue advanced degrees and further expand employment opportunities and career advancement.



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WHY WISCONSIN?

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The University of Wisconsin – Madison is one the most respected universities in the world with more than 45,000 students from all 50 states and 134 countries. As a turfgrass student at UW you will experience a world class education, have access to internships at famous sites like Whistling Straits, Erin Hills, and Lambeau Field, and jump around with 80,000 Badgers fans at Camp Randall Stadium. During your turfgrass education at UW-Madison you will learn from the latest research, receive hands-on experience in the field and in the shop, and network with your fellow students and Wisconsin turfgrass managers from all walks of the turfgrass industry. All that's left to advance your career and experience life as a student at UW-Madison is to enroll!

INTERNSHIPS AND HANDS-ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Wisconsin is home to nearly 500 golf courses, which include some of the world's best tracks. We are home to top-rated public courses like Sand Valley, Whistling Straits, Erin Hills, and our own University Ridge; as well as private golf clubs like Blue Mound Golf and Country Club, Blackhawk Country Club, and Maple Bluff Country Club just to name a few.

Students interested in sports turf management can learn from the best at American Family Park or historic Lambeau Field, among others. Many of our alumni work in the growing and lucrative lawn care industry. UW-Madison's O.J. Noer Turfgrass Research and Education Facility is one of the best in the world. You will see how turfgrass research is done and have the chance to participate in turfgrass research projects. Many of our alumni have ended up in turfgrass research, development, and education as a result of this experience.



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“My education from The University of Wisconsin -Madison is the most impactful experience of my life and career in turf to date. I am forever grateful for professors who invested in me and friendships built then that still exist today. On Wisconsin!”

Ben LaBarre, Golf Course Superintendent, The Legend at Bristlecone Pines

“The University of Wisconsin has had a tremendous impact on my career as a USGA agronomist. All of the course work was tailored towards the most important aspects of becoming successful in the golf maintenance industry. The internship opportunities that the professors at UW helped me secure connected me with leaders in the industry, which opened a lot of doors once I graduated. I can't say enough good things about my time at UW. On Wisconsin!”

Adam Moeller, Agronomist and Director, Green Section Education, United States Golf Association, Far Hills, NJ



“Knowledge is power. Fantastic experience and great education. One of my best life investments.”

Mike Handrich, Golf Course Superintendent
Racine Country Club



“UW Turf gave me the experience needed to succeed in the Green Industry and the professional network to get my foot in the door.”

Shane Griffith, Weed Man Lawn Care & TurfBot, WI

“Both the Soil Science dept and Turf Program were integral in my development socially, academically and for the real world. But, the professors and people in the program are really what set it apart.”

Andy Kurth, CEO and Co-Owner, Weed Man Lawn Care, and TurfBot, Middleton, WI

“My degree in Soil Science from the University of Wisconsin has prepared me to work as a Golf Course Superintendent at one of Asia's top private golf clubs. The University provided a comprehensive and diverse education allowing me an understanding of the world through the vibrant faculty and students. I look back fondly on my days as a student in Madison and am grateful for the education and overall experience.”

Christopher Chase, CGCS, The Clearwater Bay Golf & Country Club, Hong Kong



“The well-rounded education that I received during the pursuit of my Soil Science and Horticulture degrees at the University of Wisconsin gave me the foundation that I needed to succeed in the golf course and landscape maintenance industries. From the outstanding professors to the world-class O.J. Noer Turfgrass Research and Education Facility to the network of alumni throughout the world, the resources available at UW-Madison not only provided the necessary educational background, but they also equipped me with the necessary tools to thrive in the real world.”

Jake Schneider, Greenkeeper, Trondheim Golfklubb, Trondheim, Norway



“The experience and education that I received at UW-Madison has given me all the tools needed to reach my goals and beyond in the turf grass industry. The value of a degree from UW-Madison extends much further than the years I spent there. Having access to a great network of professors, classmates and alumni has allowed me to reach my true potential as a golf course superintendent. On Wisconsin!”

Patrick Reuteman, Golf Course Superintendent, Westmoor Country Club, Brookfield, WI



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