Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School
Three-Week Preparatory Short Course
January 11-29, 2016

Who Are We?
The Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School is a world-class learning center that has trained thousands of successful greenskeepers in the art and science of golf course management. Our team of instructors is made up of distinguished faculty and acclaimed industry professionals. Designed to minimize your time away from work and home, the intensive curriculum of this condensed three-week program consists of classroom lectures and hands-on field training. Most importantly, our focus is practical knowledge and skills that will help YOU achieve your career goals.

Why Choose Rutgers?
• Reputation:
  Add a widely respected credential from internationally-recognized Rutgers University to your resumé.

• Learn from the Best:
  Receive personalized attention from distinguished Rutgers professors, established superintendents, expert plant diagnostic specialists, industry-leading irrigation contractors and prominent turf consultants.

• Classroom Plus Hands-On Field Training:
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• Practical Content:
  Learn how to better manage challenges faced on your golf course, improve its aesthetics and increase your value as a turf manager.

• Networking:
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• Convenience:
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Curriculum
Learn the essentials of turfgrass management with the intensive curriculum of our condensed 3-week class. You will learn concepts in the classroom and participate in hands-on soil tests, reel grinding demonstrations and plant identification walks. Sample topics include:

- **Turf Establishment/Management**: Seeding, sprigging, sodding, mowing, watering, fertilizing and cultivating
- **Turfgrass Diseases, Insects and Weeds**: Identification and chemical/cultural methods of control
- **Turf Morphology and Agronomic Principles**: Grass and seed selection and breeding
- **Plant Science and Landscape Management**: Identification, selection, design and maintenance
- **Soil, Fertility and Drainage**: Fertilizer needs, drainage and aeration
- **Irrigation Principles**: Installation, repair, winterization and spring set-up
- **Mower and Equipment Maintenance**: Routine maintenance and troubleshooting
- **Golf Course Construction**: Design principles, surveying, costs, scheduling and contracts
- **Golf Course Math**: Shortcuts to calculate golf course areas for safe chemical applications
- **Managing Golf Course Employees**: Leadership, management, motivation and planning
- **Professional Development**: Resume writing, interviewing tips and career guidance

Who Should Attend?
- Experienced greenskeepers who need formal education to advance their careers
- Novices planning to learn the basics and jump-start an exciting new career in turfgrass management
- Golf course owners and general managers whose goal is to better communicate/coordinate with their teams
- Industry sales representatives working to better understand the wants/needs and terminology of their clients

Course Details
January 11-29, 2016, Monday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm Rutgers Cook Campus in New Brunswick, New Jersey

Certificates and CEUs
Earn a Certificate of Attendance for attending all three weeks of our program.
Earn a Certificate of Completion for passing our optional final examination.
Earn Pesticide Credits (Call 848-932-7250 for type and state details).

Pricing and Financial Aid
$1,695 per person when you register on or before December 19, 2015; $1,895 after December 19, 2015
Student loans are available. This course has been approved for tuition reimbursement through the GI Bill’s VA Training Program and outside scholarships are also accepted.

Housing and Transportation
You are responsible for making your own housing and transportation arrangements. Housing costs are not included in your tuition and classes are held in multiple on-campus locations where public transportation is not available. Shuttle services and discounted rates are available from select hotels. Details about local housing and transportation options can be found at: [www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/housing](http://www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/housing)

Two-Year Certificate Program
If you are a seasoned professional serious about advancing your career, our 2-Year Certificate Program offers in-depth learning and hands-on training during the off season. Taking you deeper into the science of turfgrass management, the program consists of two 10-week sessions with a paid internship in between.

Our two-year certificate is an internationally recognized credential that can help launch your career and salary. In fact, the average base salary of superintendents who hold a two-year certificate is $87,263, according to the GCSAA’s 2015 Compensation and Benefits Report. These two-year certificate holders are among the top earners nationwide.

Fall Session: October 5 to December 16, 2015
Winter Session: January 6 to March 18, 2016

For Two-Year Certificate Program Details: [www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/2year](http://www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/2year)

Other Turfgrass Training Options
If you are interested in learning more about a specific turfgrass management topic such as pesticide calibration, turfgrass insects, irrigation repair/maintenance or IPM, consider attending one of Rutgers University, Office of Continuing Professional Education’s short (one or two day) classes offered during the slow season each November through April.

For Details about our Short Courses: [www.cpe.rutgers.edu/landscape](http://www.cpe.rutgers.edu/landscape)

Register for 3-Week Turf Today!
There is no application process or pre-requisites to attend. Simply register and learn!

Online: Register online by visiting [www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/3weekregister](http://www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/3weekregister)
Fax: Fax a registration form* to (732) 932-8726
Mail: Mail a registration form* to:
Rutgers Office of Continuing Professional Education
Attn: Registration Department
102 Ryders Lane, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8519

*See back cover for our registration form. Include a copy of your payment method (certified check made out to Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, money or purchase order. Credit cards accepted with online registration).

"Rutgers was above and beyond what I expected. I was blessed to be taught by some of the greatest professors and professionals in the golf industry. I am excited to implement all I have learned on the golf course."

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Dan Rootes
January 2015
Ponderosa Butte Golf Course
Colstrip, MT

"I am here to answer your questions and help every step of the way. Please feel free to call or email me!"

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