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Professional Golf Turf Management School

THREE-WEEK PREPARATORY COURSE

January 9 - 27, 2023 | Online | \$1,995

This 3-Week Online Preparatory Course is a great opportunity to save on travel and housing costs and still gain the exceptional education the greens industry expects from Rutgers University.

**Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station
Office of Continuing Professional Education and Center for Turfgrass Science**



About Us

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 and sports field management.

The #RUTurf team of instructors includes both distinguished faculty and acclaimed industry professionals, including superintendents.

Our alumni lead the industry and work at top golf courses and facilities around the world. We hope to help build your career in the same way!



Photo of the 2021 Online 3-Week Preparatory Class

Who Should Attend?

Career starters looking to learn the basics and jump-start an exciting new profession in the turfgrass management industry.

Owners and general managers whose goal is to better communicate and coordinate with their grounds management teams.

Industry sales representatives working to better understand the wants, needs, and terminology of their clients.

Greenskeepers who need formal education to advance their careers.

Why Rutgers?



CAREER ADVANCEMENT: Our students lead the industry and work at top golf courses, sports fields, and other highly-maintained properties around the world. Add this widely respected credential to your resume to grow your career.



PRACTICAL CONTENT: Learn how to better manage challenges at your facility, improve its aesthetics, and increase your value as a turf manager.



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.



CONVENIENCE: The intensive curriculum of this condensed three-week program is designed to give you the most amount of content in the least amount of time.



NETWORKING: The #RUTurf network of professors, instructors, alumni, and students is an advantageous community that can provide job referrals and technical advice throughout your career.



“I got more than I expected out of this class! My goal was to learn a little more about irrigation, but I got so much more than that. I now have a much better appreciation of everything a superintendent does, which will help me anticipate their needs.”

**Joshua Tubbs, Class of 2021
Senior Marketing Manager
The Toro Company, Minnesota**

Online Program Details

DATES AND SCHEDULE

January 9 to 27, 2023

Monday through Friday

11:00am to 5:00pm EST

To allow for a flexible schedule, our 3-Week Online Preparatory Course will combine the following types of classes:

- Live classes that encourage students to engage with instructors and each other. These classes will be recorded and available for the students who are unable to attend.
- Prerecorded lectures that you can view at your own pace.

TUITION

\$1,995 per person

REGISTRATION

There are no prerequisites to attend this course and there is no application process. Simply register, pay, and start learning.

FINANCIAL AID

Our turf program qualifies for lifetime learning tax credits and many student loans. Veterans benefits are available to those that qualify. Scholarships are another great way to offset our registration fee.

TUITION SERVICE AGREEMENTS

Many golf courses offer employees tuition assistance and outline a contractual agreement to ensure those students put their new knowledge to use at their home golf course/facility.

Superintendents know that an educated staff is crucial to the success of their facilities and are increasingly willing to invest in employee education. Because tuition service agreements are mutually beneficial, they are becoming more commonplace. It doesn't hurt to ask.

Curriculum

Learn the essentials of turfgrass management with the intensive curriculum of our condensed three-week class.

- Applications of Plant and Landscape Science
- Basics of Agronomy
- Basics of Golf Course Construction
- Introduction to Irrigation Principles
- Introduction to Soil Fertility
- Introduction to Turfgrass Diseases
- Machinery Maintenance
- Managing Employees
- Managing Turfgrass Insects
- Managing Turfgrass Weeds
- Mowing Heights
- Pond Management
- Turfgrass Establishment
- Turfgrass Maintenance Practices
- Turfgrass Morphology
- Turfgrass Renovation Strategies
- Turfgrass Species Comparison



FOR CURRICULUM DETAILS:

<http://golfturf.rutgers.edu/3week-curriculum>

Hear From Our Graduates!



“It was really great to hear from and gain a different perspective from so many different people in the [Rutgers 3-Week Online Preparatory Turf] class. The speakers are obviously the top in their field and are well versed in their areas. I downloaded all the recordings and plan to watch them two or three more times before I start the season.”

**Steven Nacewicz, Class of 2021
PGA Professional & Owner
Crestwood Golf Club, New York**



“This program far exceeded my expectations! The teachers were high energy and knowledgeable about their fields. I enjoyed learning about the technical aspects of the industry, such as cutting, maintenance, math formulas for calibration, disease and insect identification, and course construction. It was a really great experience and will be a valuable resource as I explore new opportunities in the turf grass industry.”

**Ned Lee, Class of 2021
Career Changer, Pennsylvania**

Interested in More In-Depth Learning?

Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School also offers a 2-Year Certificate Program, which consists of two 10-week sessions sandwiched around a field experience working internship. This is an efficient and affordable way to earn a respected industry credential and grow your career.

For 2-Year Certificate Details: www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/2Year

Another option is to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Plant Biology with a concentration of Turfgrass Management from Rutgers University.

For Degree Details: www.turf.rutgers.edu/education/undergraduate.html

Register Today!

There is no application process or pre-requisites to attend. Simply register and start learning!

Online:

Visit www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/3weekregister

By Phone:

Call 848.932.9271 option 2

By Mail/Fax:

Print www.golfturf.rutgers.edu/3weekregistrationform

Fax to 732.932.8726 (with a copy of payment method)

Mail to 102 Ryders Lane,
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

(We accept certified checks made payable to Rutgers, The State University of NJ, money orders, or purchase orders. Register online to pay by credit card.)



We Are Here to Help!

Our team is here every step of the way. Feel free to call or email at any time for help with choosing which program is best for you, payment/financial aid issues, and anything else you may need. We would love to hear from you and are happy to discuss your opportunities here at Rutgers.



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