

Program Information

Turf Management is a 57-credit diploma program at Anoka Technical College. This program helps individuals understand the importance of caring for natural and artificial turfs by mowing, watering, fertilizing, and aerating the turf regularly. The Turf Management program prepares students to work in a number of different areas including, but not limited to athletic fields, golf courses, and parks.

Program Learning Outcomes

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

- Collaborate effectively with others in situations requiring teamwork, leadership, and negotiations.
- Integrate sustainable golf course grounds management cultural practices with conventional cultural practices.
- Apply technical and theoretical skills and knowledge to golf course situations.
- Anticipate biological issues within field-related situations and conditions.
- Research, organize, and interpret information from various technical sources.

Course Prerequisites

None

Graduation Requirements

All Anoka Technical College students seeking an Associate in Applied Science (AAS), diploma, or certificate must meet the cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher.

Transfer Opportunities

The Golf Course Grounds Management program has articulated partnerships with two four-year institutions:

- The University of Minnesota-Crookston campus for a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Golf Facilities and Turf Systems Management
- Suny Cobleskill in New York for a Bachelor of Technology degree in Golf Turf Management

To see how credits from this program may transfer into other Anoka Technical College programs or into a program at another college, visit:

- [Minnesota Transfer](#)
- [Anoka Technical College transfer student](#)

Industry Information

Turf management professionals work to achieve a pleasant and functional outdoor environment for many places, such as golf courses or athletic fields. Some of these jobs are seasonal and are mainly available in spring, summer, and fall. This work can be repetitive and physically demanding, requiring frequent bending, kneeling, lifting, and shoveling.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement

Wage information is available from the [Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development](#).

Start Dates

Fall Semester August
Spring Semester January

Program Sequence

Fall Semester	16
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1050 Woody Plant Materials I	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1211 Turfgrass and Grounds Management.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1230 Landscape Construction for Golf Course	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1300 Irrigation Installation and Design	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1310 Sports Turf Management	3
Spring Semester	18
<input type="checkbox"/> NSCI 1020 Plant Science.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1030 Plant Pests I.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1060 Woody Plant Materials II.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1220 Introduction to Turfgrass Species	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1270 Supervised Occupational Experience I.....	6
Fall Semester	14
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1015 Soil Science and Fertility.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1045 Plant Pest II.....	4
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1241 Turfgrass Diseases	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1515 Supervised Occupational Experience II.....	3
Spring Semester	9
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1250 Golf Course Construction and Design.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1262 Turf Power and Equipment.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> TURF 1280 Golf Course Planning and Operations	3

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For information on how to apply, to schedule a tour, or for service during summer hours, contact Enrollment Services at 763-576-7710 or EnrollmentServices@anokatech.edu

Also see: Turf and Golf Course Management AAS and Irrigation & Ground Management certificate



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