

## LAWN CARE PROGRAM UPDATE

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The two-year Lawn Care Technology Program, which started in the Fall of 1988, is the newest of the turfgrass instructional programs at MSU. The program offers agronomic, horticultural, and business and communications course work along with internship experience which prepares students for management positions in the lawn care and landscape management industry. The first graduating class of the program was presented in March of 1990, and the third class to enter the program in the Fall numbered twenty two students. There are currently thirty one students enrolled in the program. In order for the program to become permanently established at the university, enrollment must continue to increase each year. We are looking for the industry's assistance in this matter by encouraging interested people to enroll in the program. People currently employed in the industry can attend the program with limited disruption of their work schedules due to the timing of the academic courses and the internship. If part-time attendance in the Fall is necessary due to scheduling difficulties, this can be arranged. Students may commute if they wish. In addition, we do have students available for both internship and full-time employment. Additional information on the program can be obtained by contacting the author at the following address.

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