

U of G Turf Certificates Ranked One of the Top in North America

GUELPH, ON. *Turfnet*, the online news magazine, has recently ranked the University of Guelph as one of the top destinations in North America for turf certificate studies. Guelph's Turf Managers' Short



Course (TMSC) is at the heart of this certificate effort and has been valued by turf managers and staff for over 30 years.

The University of Guelph has expressed great satisfaction in being highly ranked by *Turfnet*.



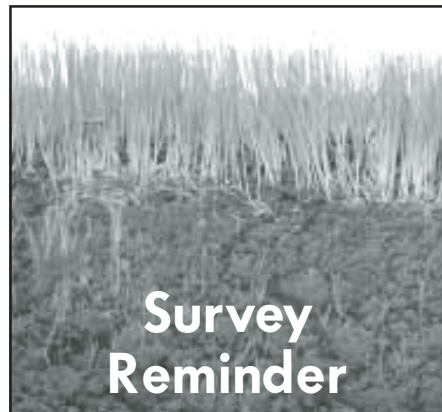
"We are very pleased with this ranking from *Turfnet*. It means that our training program is on par or surpasses other Canadian offerings and is of great value to American clients as well. The Turf Man-

agers' Short Course is recognized and valued by educators and turf staff on both sides of the border," commented Stephen Fleischauer, Manager, Program Development, Office of Open Learning, University of Guelph.

The TMSC is a four week residential program that makes use of a combination of university faculty and industry experts to facilitate discussion in current turf research and maintenance issues. This focused course prepares attendees with a "crash course" of intensive professional development instruction in turfgrass management.

"The *Turfnet* ranking is a reflection of the long standing reputation of the Turf Managers' Short Course as well as the success of those who have completed the course over the 30-plus years it has been offered," added Rob Witherspoon, Director, Guelph Turfgrass Institute.

The next offering of the TMSC is scheduled January 28 to February 22, 2008. For more information, interested individuals should contact the Office of Open Learning at 519-767-5000 or visit: www.open.uoguelph.ca/turfmanager.



Survey Reminder

The University of Guelph and the Ontario Turfgrass Research Foundation are conducting a research study on the economic profile of the Ontario turfgrass industry. This study is the first comprehensive economic review of the industry in more than 20 years. The study will help us understand and raise awareness about the importance of the turfgrass industry to the province and the country.

We would like to ask for your participation in this study by filling out a survey. Please visit the STA website at www.sportsturfassociation.com to access it online.

Please complete this survey by December 15. However, we will continue to collect responses after the deadline. Your participation is crucial for the successful completion of this study. For information, contact: Kate Tsplova, 519-824-4120 (x 58343), ktsiplov@uoguelph.ca or Katerina Jordan, 519-824-4120 (x 56615), kjordan@uoguelph.ca.

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