

Turfgrass (Minor)

To see more about what you will learn in this program, visit the Learning Outcomes website (<https://apps.oirp.ncsu.edu/pgas/>)!

The minor in Turf Grass Science is open to all undergraduate students at NC State University, with the exception of those enrolled in the Turfgrass Science major. It is designed for students majoring in Plant and Soil Sciences, Biological Sciences, Horticultural Science, Parks & Recreation and related disciplines but will be of interest to a wide variety of students desiring expertise in establishing and maintaining turfgrass areas. Students will gain an understanding of the techniques required to successfully establish and manage turfgrasses commonly grown throughout the United States. This knowledge will improve the student's ability to provide high quality turfgrass cover for a variety of situations including home lawns, commercial grounds, parks and other areas.

Admission

Admission to the minor requires a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better. To be admitted to the program, a student must have a GPA of at least 2.0. Application for admission to any University minor program is now available via MyPack Portal. Admission will be based upon the student's academic record, and in most cases no longer requires departmental review. To apply to Add a Minor, go to: https://go.ncsu.edu/minor_coda (https://go.ncsu.edu/minor_coda/). A minor advisor will be assigned to all students interested in completing the Turfgrass minor. Students enrolled in the minor must consult with their minor advisor during each registration period.

Certification

The minor should be declared as soon as the student makes the decision to pursue a minor. Minor coursework must be completed no later than the semester in which the student expects to graduate from his or her degree program. Paperwork to declare the minor should be completed no later than the registration period for the student's final semester at NC State. Students should contact the Crop and Soil Sciences Undergraduate Programs Office for certification of the minor.

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Plan Requirements

A minimum of 16 hours is required for the minor in Turfgrass. Students are required to complete 11 credits of required courses and a minimum of 5 credits of restricted elective courses. A minimum grade of 'C-' or better is required in each course selected. No courses for the minor may be taken using the S/U option.

Code	Title	Hours	Counts towards
Required Courses			
CS 200	Introduction to Turfgrass Management	4	
CS 400	Turf Cultural Systems	3	
SSC 200	Soil Science	3	
SSC 201	Soil Science Laboratory	1	
Elective Courses			
Select five credits of the following:		5	
CS 414	Weed Science		
CS 465	Turf Management Systems and Environmental Quality		
CS 470	Advanced Turfgrass Pest Management		
ENT 425	General Entomology		
PP 315	Principles of Plant Pathology		
SSC 341 & SSC 342	Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management and Soil and Plant Nutrient Analysis		
Total Hours		16	