

CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE IN TURFGRASS MANAGEMENT

COURSES IN 2010

As a result of the great interest in FIFA's Soccer World Cup (and the demand by players and the general public for quality playing surfaces), four possible courses are planned for in 2010. Three of these are block-release and the fourth comprises three one-week modules. The following dates have been reserved for the four courses:

Course 1 – 8 to 26 February 2010

Course 2 – 3 to 21 May 2010

Course 3 – 30 to 31 August and 1 to 17 September 2010

Course 4 – 7 to 11 June 2010, 19 to 23 July 2010 & 16 to 20 August 2010

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The objective of these courses are to equip participants with the skills necessary for the construction and maintenance of natural turf surfaces for sporting facilities.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Persons in the turfgrass industry and involved in the management, construction and maintenance of sports turf.

COURSE OUTLINE

This courses will cover all pertinent aspects of the turfgrass industry in South Africa. Emphasis will be on the practical nature of the industry, though a strong theoretical base will also be laid. Each course is divided into the following three one-week modules:

Module 1:

- Orientation and introduction
- Turfgrass physiology and morphology
- Turfgrass identification and propagation
- Fertilisation
- Drainage of turf areas
- Soil science for turf culture
- Irrigation

Module 2:

- Examination of module 1
- Supplementary cultural practices
- Mowing
- Turfgrass machinery
- Organisation and administration

Module 3:

- Examination of module 2
- Weed control
- Pest control
- Design of golf courses

Surveying and levelling
Construction of golf course turf areas
Construction and maintenance of turf cricket pitches
Construction and maintenance of bowling greens
Disease control
Examination of module 3 and practical examination

ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION

Each module will be separately assessed. This will take the form of both a written and practical examination. A Certificate in Turfgrass Management will be awarded to participants achieving a pass mark with an average of 50% for the course (both theory exam and practical exam must be passed). Note that this certificate is offered on NQF Level 4.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Preference will be given to applicants currently employed in the turfgrass industry.

COURSE PRESENTER

Dr. Mike Young – Course Head: Horticulture, Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT)

VENUE

Bellville Campus, Education Building, Symphony Road, Bellville South. Venue to be confirmed.

TIMES

Times: Mainly 08:30 to 16:30

COURSE FEE

R6 000 per person, payable in full on enrolment. The fee is inclusive of notes, instruction material, prescribed text book, stationery, lunches, teas and transport to practicals. It excludes the cost of travel to and accommodation in Cape Town, which must be separately arranged by participants. A cafeteria is available on campus for general refreshments.

ENROLMENT AND ENQUIRIES

Personal enrolment for each course will take place from Tuesday to Thursday, at any stage prior to the commencement of the particular course, but not later than two weeks prior to the course for which the candidate wishes to register. Candidates are to report to Room 3.16, Engineering Building, Tennant Street, Cape Town Campus.

Note: All courses will only be offered should a minimum number of 15 candidates register for each course. Timeous enrolment is also advised, as the number of places on the course is limited
PLEASE HAVE YOUR ID NUMBER AVAILABLE WHEN ENROLLING

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