Program Information
Turf and Golf Course Management is a 69-credit Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree. This program prepares students to be employed in turf, golf course, sports fields, and grounds management industries. The courses are designed to help individuals manage the operations of turf and golf courses. Areas of focus include turf grass, golf course design and construction, grounds equipment and operation, pest control, grounds management, and client communication.

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
Some courses may require appropriate test score or completion of basic math, basic English and/or reading courses with a “C” or better.

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
With a degree in Turf and Golf Course Management, graduates are employed in the turf and golf course industries as golf course superintendents/assistant superintendents, grounds supervisors/assistant supervisors and turf technicians. This job involves supervising and directing all operations at the golf course. This includes coordinating schedules of tournaments, lessons, golf teams and regular tee-off times. Professionals who manage numerous aspects of a golf course must be financially savvy and have strong record-keeping skills. They use marketing skills to promote specific programs and events held at the golf course.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement
Wage information is available from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development.

Start Dates
Fall Semester ................................................................. August
Spring Semester ............................................................. January

MnTC General Requirements:
Twelve (12) credits of general education credits from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) are required. MnTC credits must be from three different goal areas and can be completed separate from or together with the technical credit requirements. Note: MnTC credits are not all listed in your program sequence plan. Please see your faculty advisor or enrollment services for help in planning when to complete your MnTC credits.

Program Sequence

Fall Semester ...................................................................... 16
- TURF 1050 Woody Plant Materials I ......................................... 3
- TURF 1211 Turfgrass and Grounds Management .......................... 4
- TURF 1230 Landscape Construction for Golf Course .................... 3
- TURF 1300 Irrigation Installation and Design ............................... 3
- TURF 1310 Sports Turf Management ....................................... 3

Spring Semester .................................................................... 18
- NSCI 1020 Plant Science ...................................................... 3
- TURF 1030 Plant Pests I ..................................................... 3
- TURF 1060 Woody Plant Materials II ....................................... 3
- TURF 1220 Introduction to Turfgrass Species .............................. 3
- TURF 1270 Supervised Occupational Experience I .................... 6

Fall Semester ......................................................................... 14
- TURF 1015 Soil Science and Fertility ....................................... 4
- TURF 1045 Plant Pests II .................................................... 4
- TURF 1241 Turfgrass Diseases ............................................... 3
- TURF 1515 Supervised Occupational Experience II .................. 3

Spring Semester ..................................................................... 9
- TURF 1250 Golf Course Construction and Design ...................... 3
- TURF 1262 Turf Power Equipment ....................................... 3
- TURF 1280 Golf Course Planning and Operations ..................... 3

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Also see: Turf Management diploma and Irrigation & Ground Management certificate