



Short Cutts

**Annual Turfgrass
Diagnostic Course**
August 2-4, 1994
Ithaca, NY

**Landscape
Construction
Specification
Short Course**
July 26-28, 1994
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Summer Short Courses Offered

Two summer short courses will be offered this year at Cornell.

The **Annual Turfgrass Diagnostic Course** will be held August 2-4. A hands on educational experience, the Diagnostic Course has been a unique and popular program. Participants in the program spend a fair amount of time in the field collecting samples, and making assessments of pest populations and abiotic problems. Labs enable the participants to learn how to use simple lab techniques to make a proper diagnosis, using the samples collected in the field. The course concludes with discussion on developing control strategies.

This year's program will be concentrated on golf course turf. Instructors include Mike Villani, Eric Nelson, Norm Hummel, Rod Ferrentino, and Jennifer Grant. In addition, this year's program coincides with a meeting at Cornell of turfgrass entomologists from around the country who have expressed interest in being a part of the course. More information will be sent soon.

A new offering this year will be the **Landscape Construction Specification Short Course**. Targeted for landscape architects, contractors and grounds managers, this course will be offered July 26-28. Also a hands-on course, the LCS Short Course will cover topics such as soil modification, drainage, plant material selection, proper establishment techniques, and specification writing. It's a great opportunity to learn what's new in plant materials and construction techniques. Instructors include Nina Bassuk, Peter Trowbridge, Joann Gruttadaurio, and Norm Hummel. Registration materials will be forthcoming.

Be sure to take advantage of continuing education opportunities this summer.

Other Dates to Note

July 14, Cornell Field Day, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County, Plainview, Long Island. Contact: Maria Cinque at (516) 454-0900.

August 16, Golf Course Construction Seminar, SUNY Delhi. Contact NYSTA at (800) 873-TURF.

November 8-11, New York State Turf and Landscape Expo, Rochester Convention Center. Contact NYSTA at (800) 873-TURF.

January 9-20, 10th Annual Cornell Turfgrass Short Course, Ithaca. Contact Angelica Hammer at (607) 255-1789.

Changing Faces

Students come and go, and this year has been no different. Graduate students in the Turfgrass Program at Cornell who have recently finished their degrees include:

- Beth Baikan recently completed her PhD under Marty Petrovic and is currently working as a post-doctoral associate with Dave Huff at Rutgers University.
- Panayiotis Nektarios received his PhD under Marty Petrovic in December. He is presently fulfilling a military obligation in his home country of Greece.
- Rick Uva completed an MS degree with Joe Neal, and continues to work with Joe on the soon-to-be-produced weed identification guide.
- S. J. Koo completed his PhD. with Joe Neal, and also continues to work with Joe as a post-doctoral associate, continuing work on the mode of action of quinclorac.

We wish all our former students well.

Variety Recommends

The 1994-95 *Cornell Species and Variety Recommendations* have been completed. To obtain a free copy, contact Angelica Hammer at (607) 255-1789. Copies may also be obtained from your local Cornell Cooperative Extension Office.

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