

# Associate Diploma in Turfgrass Management

*Fall 2020*

## Background Information Form (BIF)

The Associate Diploma in Turfgrass Management (DTM) is an intensive, practical and academic program. The curriculum combines highly technical, scientific and business related areas of study.

Program website: [www.uoguelph.ca/dtm/](http://www.uoguelph.ca/dtm/)

### Admission Process:

Official Admission information can be found at: <https://admission.uoguelph.ca>

Experience in and understanding of the turfgrass industry are assets but not required.

Completion of all appropriate admission application components including academic transcripts and this form are required for admission consideration. Admission decisions are based on both academic performance (high school and/or other post secondary grades) and the Background Information Form (including any work experience, references, and question responses).

You are encouraged to download the Background Information Form to your own computer/account, and review all questions and components before responding to any one question. Please include two references. **Note:** These references could include current or former employer(s), guidance counsellor, teacher or coach.

The University expects you to formulate all answers without assistance from others. Answer the questions using complete sentences. No more than a short paragraph per question is required. Please limit the length of your responses to the space allocated on this form. Proofread your answers carefully with attention to spelling and grammar.

When you have completed the form, please save it as a PDF if possible so that you can attach it to an email for submission. Please keep a copy of your submission.

**This form must be completed and emailed to Carie Devitt at: [dtmpc@uoguelph.ca](mailto:dtmpc@uoguelph.ca)**

For admission consideration, your Background Information Form should reach Carie Devitt by **February 14, 2020**. Forms submitted later may be considered, space permitting.

If absolutely necessary, the form can be printed and mailed to:

Carie Devitt, Program Counsellor  
Associate Diploma in Turfgrass Management  
OAC Dean's Office  
Johnston Hall, Room 133A  
University of Guelph  
Guelph, ON N1G 2W1

## Applicant Information

OUAC#  
(if applicable)

U of G ID #  
(if applicable)

Last name:

First name:

Address:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Country:

Telephone:

Email:

## References

### Reference #1

Name:

Position:

Address:

City and  
Province:

Telephone:

Email:

### Reference #2

Name:

Position:

Address:

City and  
Province:

Telephone:

Email:

Note: References could include current or former employer(s), guidance counsellor, coach or teacher.

## **Background Information Form: Questions**

Question 1: Why do you wish to pursue studies in the Associate Diploma in Turfgrass Management (DTM)?

Question 2: What do you feel are critical skills that a turfgrass manager should possess?

Question 3: What particular skills, knowledge, and experiences do you have that you wish to share with the DTM Admissions Committee?

Question 4: What will you do with a DTM from the University of Guelph? What are your career and work plans?

Question 5: What experiences have you had (related or not related to turfgrass management) that would make you a successful student?

Question 6: Is there any other information you would like us to know?

## **Background Information Form - Application Reminder Check List:**

Complete the appropriate admission application.

High school and external transfer applicants need to complete an OUAC Online Application. Internal (U of G) applicants need to complete an Online Internal Transfer Application.

Alert references that you have submitted their contact information as part of this application

Proof read your entire Background Information Form

Submit your completed Background Information Form by emailing it as an attachment to

Carie Devitt at: **dtmpc@uoguelph.ca**