



University of Connecticut

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Curriculum Vitae
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CURRICULUM VITAE
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**FORMAL
EDUCATION**

1982 University of Massachusetts M.S. Plant and Soil Sciences.
1980 University of Massachusetts B.S. Plant and Soil Sciences.
1977 Stockbridge School of Agriculture A.S. Turfgrass Management.

**PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT Storrs, Connecticut
2000-Present Extension/Instructor Turfgrass Science, 80% teaching/20% extension

WILLIMANTIC COUNTRY CLUB Willimantic, Connecticut
1982-2000 Golf Course Superintendent

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT Storrs, Connecticut
1999-2000 Adjunct Lecturer Plant Science Department

TUMBLEBROOK COUNTRY CLUB Bloomfield, Connecticut
1977-1979 Assistant Golf Course Superintendent

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

TURF 219 and SAPL 019. Principles of Turfgrass Irrigation Systems. 3 credits. Turfgrass irrigation systems, principles of hydraulics, irrigation components, design, installation and repair. Students design irrigation systems for various turfgrass systems. Fall semester 2001 to present.

TURF 223 and SAPL 023. Turfgrass Pests and Their Control. 3 credits. Turfgrass weed, insect, disease, and vertebrate identification and control. Emphasis on biological controls and IPM. Fall semester 2001 to present. Fall semester 2001 to present.

TURF 283 and SAPL 083. Golf Course Management. 3 credits. Cultural management techniques including soil aeration, topdressing, mowing, thatch removal, grass species selection, fertilization, irrigation and management of personnel, pests, equipment and inventory. Spring semester 1999 to present.

TURF 220 and SAPL 020. Professional Development for the Turfgrass Industry. Topics include human resource information, communication skills, turfgrass pesticide laws and compliance, labor laws and compliance, bid specifications, resume writing, interviewing, golf course management structures, business ethics, and benefits of professional organizations and networking. Spring semester 2003 to present.

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INTD FYE 182. First Year Experience course 1 credit, The Great American Lawn: Green Perfection or Environmental Affliction? Co-taught with Kristin Swab. Fall 2003, 2004, 2005

Undergraduate Independent Studies:

Heide Mizak. Development of a Weed Garden. Including the collection of weed species, construction, and establishment. Fall 2005

Samantha Giordano. Investigation of Turfgrass Pests, including pest identification, and control options. Fall 2005

Matthew Spellacy. A comparative study evaluating four different shade/sun regimes on four grass species. Spring 2005

Michael Mchill. Evaluation of five different grass species, receiving different nitrogen sources, fertilizer rates, and application timing on soil nitrate levels. Spring 2005

Michael Mchill. Evaluation of five different grass species, receiving different nitrogen sources, fertilizer rates, and application timing on soil nitrate levels, Fall 2004

Donald Sedor. Design of a Residential Lawn and Landscape Irrigation System, Spring 2004

Matthew Staffieri. Assessment of High Visibility Turf Areas on Campus, Spring 2003

Matthew Staffieri. Design and Installation of Home Lawn Irrigation System, Spring 2003

Thomas Vorio. Irrigation Modification at the UConn Putting Green, Fall 2002

Donald Hoenig. Evaluation of Pesticide and Fertilizer Use on the Quality of Kentucky Bluegrass. Fall 2002

Jeff Hughes. Beautification of the W.B. Young Building and Campus Grounds, Spring 2002

Undergraduate Student Internships (SAPL 087/PLSC 287)

Joseph Pfeifer. Prescription Turf Services, MA summer 2007

Mark Snay.. D.S. Landscape Architects, MA summer 2007

Jonathan Dipilato. The Country Club, Chestnut Hill, MA, summer 2007

Curtis D'Anna. Shore Haven Golf Club, Norwalk, CT, summer 2006

Christopher Dillemoth. Madison Country Club, Madison CT, summer 2006

Benjamin Goossen. Ekwanok Country Club, Manchester, VT, summer 2006

Paul McDermott. Twin Hills Country Club, Coventry, CT, summer 2006

Michael Morawski. Blue Fox Run Golf Course, Avon, CT, summer 2006

Brigham Shields. The Country Club, Chestnut Hill, MA, summer 2006

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Brian Tencza. TPC River Highlands, Cromwell, CT, summer 2006
Samantha Giordano. Greenwich Country Club, Greenwich, CT, winter 2006
Corey Duff. Fenway Major League Ball Park, Boston, MA, summer 2005
Ashley Hasenbein. Watertown Golf Club, Watertown, CT, summer 2005
Artur Pulawski. The Shelter Harbor Golf Club, Westerly, RI, summer 2005
Jesse Hubbard. Manchester Country Club, Manchester, CT, summer 2005
Samantha Giordano. Greenwich Country Club, Greenwich, CT, summer 2005
Jonathan Birdsey. Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middlefield, CT, summer 2005
Christopher Dillemoth. Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middlefield, CT, summer 2005
Timothy Patrick Flynn. Essex Country Club, Essex, MA, summer 2004
Matthew Spellacy. Country Club Avon, Avon, CT, summer 2004
Adam Della Ventura. New Haven Country Club, New Haven, CT, summer 2004
Craig Williams Dillon. Blackhall Country Club, Old Lyme, CT, summer 2004
Jason Edward Noel. Lake of Isles Country Club, Ledyard CT, summer 2004
Lindsay D'Anna. Manchester Country Club, Manchester, NH, summer 2003
Matthew Bagshaw. The Brickman Group, Hartford, CT, summer 2003

ADVISEES RATCLIFFE HICKS STUDENTS

Present

Bahre, Benjamin	Paetsch, Sara
Cardina, Robert	Pfeifer, Joseph
Faustman, Will	Rochford, David
Farone, Joseph	Sellier, Brin
Hallahan, Casey	Snay, Mark

Past

Bagshaw, Matthew	Dipilato, Jonathan
Bottali, Matthew	Farina, Steven
Brigham, Dylan	Farone, Joseph
Chick, Melissa	Goossen, Benjamin
D'Anna, Curtis	Hedge, Meghan
Della Ventura, Adam	Hoenig, Donald
Dillon, Craig	Kleza, Kyle
Dillemoth, Christopher	Maulucci, Eric
	Mazzarella, Ryan

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McDermott, Frank
Orzechowski, Adam
McDermott, Paul
Mchill, Michael
McIntyre, David
Merulla, Tasha
Monette, Christopher
Morawski, Michael
Noel, Jason
Nickse, Christopher

O'Neil, Dennis
Pelrine, Lisa
Riendeau, David
Shields, Brigham
Smith, Kyle
Stanisci, Nicholas
Sweeny, William
Tencza, Brian
VanZetten, Joshua
Wright, Matthew

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

Established a collaborative effort between the Connect Department of Environmental Protection and the University of Connecticut Plant Science Department. This effort provided plant science students the opportunity to apply, and take the Connecticut Pesticide Operators Exam on the Storrs campus prior to graduation or internship placement. Spring 2007

Co-Advisor – University of Connecticut Turf Club. 2000-2007

Secured annual travel awards from the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents Association supporting student travel to compete in the Collegiate Turf Bowl Competition at the International Golf Course Industry and Conference. 2004-2006

Coached four-person/student teams that competed at the Annual Collegiate Turf Bowl Competitions at the International Golf Course Industry Conference.

Atlanta, GA – 2003
San Diego, CA – 2004
Orlando, FL - 2005
Atlanta, GA – 2006
Anaheim CA - 2007

STUDENT RECRUITMENT

Coordinated, attended, and organized booth and poster presentations about the University of Connecticut, Turfgrass Science Program. Attendance and presentations involved student participation. Annual presentations were made at the following conferences and trade shows: The International Golf Course Conference and Tradeshow, The New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Tradeshow, and the Connecticut Grounds Keepers Annual Conference and Tradeshow.

Providence, Rhode Island, March 3-6, 2008
Orlando, Florida, January 29-February 2, 2008
Anaheim, California, February 21-25, 2007
Hartford, Connecticut, February 1, 2007- Turf Club
Providence, Rhode Island, March 7-10, 2006- Turf Club
Hartford, Connecticut, February 15, 2006- Turf Club
Atlanta, Georgia. February 8-11, 2006
Providence, Rhode Island, March 7-10, 2005- Turf Club

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Hartford, Connecticut, February 23, 2005- Turf Club
Orlando, Florida, February 9-12, 2005
Providence, Rhode Island, March 2-4, 2004-Turf Club.
Hartford, Connecticut, February 25, 2004-Turf Club
San Diego, California, February 11-14, 2004
Providence, Rhode Island, March 17-19, 2003-Turf Club.
Hartford, Connecticut, February 26, 2003-Turf Club.
Atlanta, Georgia. February 12-15, 2003
Providence, Rhode Island, March 5-7, 2002-Turf Club.
Hartford, Connecticut, February 28, 2002-Turf Club.
Orlando, Florida, February 7-10, 2002
Providence, Rhode Island, March 7-9, 2001-Turf Club.
Hartford, Connecticut, February 28, 2001-Turf Club.
Dallas, Texas, February 14-18, 2001

Presentation showcasing the University of Connecticut College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Plant Science Programs. Connecticut Grounds Keepers Turf and Landscape Conference. Hartford, CT, February 26, 2003, February 25, 2004

Presentations featuring the University of Connecticut Turfgrass Science Program to visiting high school students, Storrs, CT. Fall 2002, Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Fall 2006, Fall 2007

Guest WILI Morning Show with Wayne Norman. "University of Connecticut Turfgrass Science Program" with Karl Guillard. Willimantic CT. December 14, 2004.

Delegate for Department of Plant Science, University of Connecticut Career Fair. October 25, 2004

Delegate for Department of Plant Science, University of Connecticut Major Fair. October 16, 2007

OUTREACH

Extension bulletins

Rackliffe S. 2008. Winter Turfgrass Problems in the Northeast. Home & Garden Education Center Fact Sheet, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe S. 2007. White Grubs. Home & Garden Education Center Fact Sheet, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe S. Influence of Three Fertilization Programs on Turfgrass Color and weed Infestation. University of Connecticut 2006 Turfgrass Research report pgs.76-77.

K. Guillard and S. Rackliffe. Lawn Turf Color Response to Gro-Well natural fertilizers Compared With Commonly Used Turf Fertilizers. University of Connecticut 2006 Turfgrass Research report pgs. 71-75.

Rackliffe, S. 2006. Growing Lawns Under Shaded Conditions. Fact Sheet Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

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Rackliffe, S. 2006. Lawns and Shade – Are They Compatible? Home & Garden News July/August issue, pp 13-14, Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. 2005. Moss Control in Home Lawns. Fact Sheet Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. 2005. Moss Control in Home Lawns. Home & Garden News May/June issue, pp. 10 Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. and McHill, M. Influence of Three Fertilization Programs on Turfgrass Quality and Soil Nitrate Levels. University of Connecticut 2005 Turfgrass Research Report. pp.51-52

P.C. Bhowmik, S. Rackliffe, L.B. Stack, J.M. Roberts, M. Sullivan, S. Boswoth. 2005, 2006, 2007 New England Guide to Weed Control in Turfgrass

Rackliffe, S. 2004. White Grubs in Lawns and What to Do About Them. Home & Garden News July/Aug. issue, pp. 3-5. Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. 2004. University of Connecticut Turf Program, Past, Present, and Future. Connecticut Clippings, July issue, pp. 8-9. Connecticut Association of Golf Course Superintendents Newsletter.

Rackliffe, S. 2004. University of Connecticut Turf Program, Past, Present, and Future. CGKA, July issue. Connecticut Grounds Keepers Association Newsletter.

Rackliffe, S. 2004. University of Connecticut Turf Program, Past, Present, and Future. EIC News, July issue. Environmental Industry Council Newsletter.

Rackliffe, S. 2004. White Grub Control. Home & Garden Education Center Fact Sheet, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. 2003. Crabgrass Control. Home and Garden News September/October Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Marrotte, E. and Rackliffe, S. April 2003. Controlling Crabgrass in the Home Lawn. Home & Garden Education Center Fact Sheet, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. 2003. Snow Mold and Ice Damage on Lawns. Home and Garden News March/April. Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Rackliffe, S. Revision 2002. Controlling Insects and other Common Pests of Lawns. University of Connecticut IPM website.

Rackliffe, S. Revision 2002. Controlling White Grubs. University of Connecticut IPM website.

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Advisory committee member 2002. "Potential Best Management Practices for Golf Course Water". Special Report No. 37 Connecticut Institute of Water Resources, University of Connecticut, Storrs Connecticut.

Rackliffe, S, 2002. Growing Greener Grass. Home and Garden News May/June. Home and Garden Education Center, University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
2001, Editorial comments and review of: "Turfgrass Nutrient and Integrated Pest Management Manual", University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Presentations-Industry

"Turf Pests and Their Control" Master Gardener Horticulture Pro Program July 12, 2008
"General Turf Maintenance". Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT.
February 1, 2007.

"Turfgrass Specie Selection and Insect Pests and Their Control" Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT, January 31, 2007.

"Preparing Turfgrass Students for Successful Careers". Connecticut Association Of Golf Course Superintendents Winter Seminar, Berlin, CT January 23, 2007.

"Turf Pests and Their Control". Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 14, 2006.

"The Nuts and Bolts of General Turf Maintenance". Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 15, 2006.

"A Year in Review." The Chas. C. Hart Seed Company fall seminar. October 2005.

"Turf Problems/Causes and Corrective Action." Connecticut Grounds Keepers Association September membership meeting. Rackliffe/Kaminski. September 2005.

"Turfgrass Weed and Insect Pest Identification and Control in Residential Lawns". Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 22, 2005.

"Renovate, Aerate, and Overseed". Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 23, 2005.

"University of Connecticut Turfgrass Program". Dedication of the Turfgrass resource Unit, University of Connecticut Research and Education Facility. October 15, 2004.

"Turfgrass Science and Cultural Practices" Connecticut Nursery and Landscape Associations certification program. Annual presentation in October 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

"Update on the University of Connecticut Turfgrass Science Program" Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents March membership meeting Berlin Connecticut. March 23, 2004.

"Turf Pests and Their Control" Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 24, 2004.

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"Aeration and Overseeding" Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford, CT. February 25, 2004.

"Aeration and Overseeding of Athletic Fields". New England Park Association, Wickham Park Manchester, CT. June 11, 2003.

"Where to Find, and Interpret Best Management Practices for Golf Course Water". Water Conservation Committee. New Haven, CT. March 6, 2003.

Panel member round table discussion - The Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference Hartford, CT. February 26, 2003

"Cool Season Grasses". Middletown adult education program, Middletown, CT. January 13, 2003.

"Turfgrass Best Management Practices for Water Quality and Quantity." League of Woman Voters, Greenwich Conservation Commission. "Phase II Storm Water Management Program". Stamford, CT. November 8, 2002.

"Integrated Pest Management for Turfgrass Pests." Twilight meeting Custom Grounds Keepers, Elizabeth Park Hartford, CT. August 21, 2002.

"Turfgrass Management Workshop". Raceway Golf Club, Thompson, CT. August 6, 2002

"Spring Workshop", New England Sports Turf Managers Association, New England Patriots Practice Facility Foxboro, MA. June 5, 2002.

Panel member round table discussion - The Connecticut Turf and Landscape Conference, Hartford CT. February 28, 2002.

"Fall Workshop", New England Sports Turf Managers Association. University of Connecticut Athletic Field complex, Storrs CT. November 3, 2001.

Presentations-Community

S. Rackliffe. E.O. Smith High School, Vocational Agriculture Class. Presentation "Turfgrass Science and Management, What is it?" September 21, 2007.

S. Rackliffe. Southington High School, Vocational Agriculture Class. Presentation "What Does it Take to Be a Golf Course Superintendent" April 26, 2007.

"Turfgrass Science and Management". Turfgrass lecturer for the Connecticut Master Gardener Program. 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

Turfgrass Pest Information and Diagnostic Table. College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cornucopia Fest. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. October 8, 2006

Guest WILI Morning Show with Wayne Norman. Topic-"Fall Lawn Care". Willimantic, CT. September 12, 2006.

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“Home Lawn Care”. Knowledge to Grow On. UConn Home and Garden Education Series III. Bloomfield CT, Auer Farm, September 9, 2006

Turfgrass Pest Information and Diagnostic Table. College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cornucopia Fest. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. October 2, 2005

“Preparing Students for a Career in Turfgrass Management.” National Association of Agriculture Educators Region VI Conference. Uncasville, CT July 6, 2005.

“A Success Story in Attracting Bluebirds to the Willimantic Country Club.” Willimantic Garden Club, May 18, 2005.

“Turfgrass Pests and Their Control.” Middletown Adult education Program, January 25, 2005.

"Insect Monitoring and Scouting Techniques for Turfgrass Insects". College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cornucopia Fest, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. October 13, 2004.

“Turfgrass Science and Management.” Southington High School Vocational Agriculture Program, September 24, 2004.

Presentation on fertilizer management and turfgrass specie selection. 2004 Master Gardener Summer Tour. Storrs, Connecticut, July 15, 2004.

“Turfgrass Management Practices”. Turf training program sponsored by Residential Water Quality Program, May 18, 2004.

"What Lies Beneath? A Closer Look at Common Turfgrass Species and Their Adaptations for Connecticut". Advanced Master Gardener Series. Bethel CT. January 13, 2004.

Guest WLIS and WMRE Radio Talk Show with Rob Palmer. Management Practices for the Home Lawn. November 20, 2003. Middletown, CT.

"Insect Monitoring and Scouting Techniques for Turfgrass Insects". College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cornucopia Fest. University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. October 5, 2003.

Presenter "25th Anniversary Master Gardener Program". University Of Connecticut Plant Science and Teaching Facility, Storrs CT. July 10, 2003.

"Maintaining Your Lawn." Willimantic Garden Club. Willimantic, CT. April 16, 2003.

"Lower Maintenance of Lawns.” Master Gardener Spring Symposium. West Hartford, CT. March 15, 2003.

Guest WILI Morning Show with Wayne Norman. Topic-"Sustainable Lawn Care". Willimantic, CT. June 11, 2002.

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Industry involvement

Establishment of National Turfgrass Evaluation Program (NTEP) Consumer Trial Test plots for Turf Type Tall Fescue varieties at the University of Connecticut Plant Science Research and Teaching facility. 2007

Advisory committee member of Best Management Practices for Golf Course Water, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Publication. July 2006.

Afternoon Chairperson of the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents Association Winter Seminar in Berlin, CT. January 10, 2006.

New England Regional Turfgrass Foundation Education Planning Committee, 2001 - present

Morning Chairperson of the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents Association Winter Seminar in Berlin, CT. January 11, 2005.

Worked with Connecticut Grounds Keepers Association on the development and establishment of the Connecticut Grounds Keepers Certified Landscape Technician Test. Test held annually at the UConn Plant Science Research and Education Facility. Storrs, CT. 2001-present.

Quinebaug River Watershed Reduced Pesticide/Nutrient Loading Demonstration Project. Worked with turfgrass cooperators in three locations of the Quinebaug River Watershed. Cooperators were The Pomfret School, Pomfret, CT., Ellis Technical School, Killingly, CT., and Raceway Golf Course Thompson, CT. April 2002-October 2003.

Initiated used turfgrass equipment donation program (from the turfgrass industry) to the University of Connecticut turfgrass science program. 2001 to present.

Morning Chairperson of the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents Association Winter Seminar in Berlin, CT. January 15, 2002.

Education Committee meeting of the Connecticut Nursery and Landscape Association, Certification Program. February 2002.

Member of D.E.P. advisory committee (facilitated by Connecticut Institute for Water Resources) whose function was to work with DEP, industry leaders, and interested parties in developing Best Management Practices for Golf Course Water Use in Connecticut 2001.

Afternoon Chairperson for the Connecticut Golf Course Superintendents Association January Seminar, Berlin, CT. January 9, 2001.

Attendance to monthly meetings of the Connecticut turfgrass commodity groups 2000 to present.

GRANTS

USDA Higher Education Challenge Grant. Interactive Grass Identification Tutorial. \$89,191. August 1, 2002 - July 31, 2006. Guillard PD, Rackliffe Co-PD, Marrotte Co-PD

A. Legrand, K. Guillard, and S. Rackliffe. Effectiveness of *Metarhizium anisopliae* as a Biopesticide against Oriental and Japanese Beetles. IR- Biopesticide Demo., \$13,851. DEP 2005, 2006

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Grant: Quinebaug Water Shed IPM: Reduction of Pesticide/Nutrient Loading Demonstration Project for Turfgrasses. 2002-present: Lorraine Los PD.

S. Rackliffe and K. Guillard. Field evaluation of R-EDI (PD) Blend creeping bentgrass. The Scotts Company. \$7,500. 2003-2006

Grant in aid, University of Connecticut Department of Athletics, Grant affords University of Connecticut Turfgrass Science students the opportunity to maintain the University of Connecticut putting green. 2002 – 2007, \$14,800

2000-present. Secured numerous product and equipment donations from the Turfgrass Industries, which help support the University of Connecticut Turfgrass Science Program.

COMMITTEES AND COLLEGE INVOLVEMENT

University of Connecticut College of Agriculture and Natural Resources commencement committee 2007-2008

Ratcliffe Hicks, Courses and Curricula Committee 2003 to present.

Department of Plant Science Courses and Curriculum Committee, Interim member, May 2005-December 2005

Secretary, Ratcliffe Hicks Faculty, 2003-present.

University of Connecticut Home and Garden Education Center Advisory Board, 2006-present

University of Connecticut Integrated Pest Management Team, 2003-present

Search committee Member Assistant Professor of Landscape Horticulture, 2006-2008

Search committee Member Assistant Professor of Landscape Horticulture, 2004-2005

Search committee Member Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Pathology, 2003-2004

Table Facilitator for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Leaders Forum. 2003, 2005.

Recording secretary for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Leaders Forum, 2002, 2007.

Turfgrass Science lecture to Home and Garden Center and Master Gardener coordinators, 2002.

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

University of Connecticut, Storrs Campus, Landscape Services Contract Evaluation Committee 2007

University of Connecticut, Storrs Campus IPM Work Group 2004-2005.

University of Connecticut Academic Advising Council 2005

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America
1976-present. – Member

Connecticut Association of Golf Course Superintendents
1982-present. - Member
President (1992).
Vice President (1989-1991).
Secretary (1987-1989).
Director (1985-1987).

Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association
2003-present - Informed Member

Environmental Industry Council
1984-Present. - Member
Director- 1988-1989. Represented Connecticut golf courses and helped write workable posting and pesticide legislation that is now a model for many states throughout the United States.

Connecticut Grounds Keepers Association
2002-present - Honorary Member

Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS)
1988-present.

Connecticut Pesticide License Custom Grounds Supervisory (commercial license)

HONORS AND AWARDS

2007 recipient of the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Teaching Award of Merit.

2006 recipient of the Donald M. Kinsman Award for Excellence in Teaching. University of Connecticut, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Ratcliffe Hicks School of Agriculture.

1994 Connecticut Golf Course Superintendent of the Year Award
Awarded annually to an individual who has demonstrated a superior understanding of turfgrass and related sciences; excellence in course conditioning; a thorough knowledge of the game of golf; and active involvement in local and allied associations

November 1988 Willimantic Country Club golf course operation featured in issue of Turf Magazine

Golf course (Willimantic Country Club) received highest rating in Connecticut, 3 1/2 stars, for "places to play" by Golf Digest 1996-1997.