

Ryan J. Bjorn

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Career Goal: Professional position at a major university or professional athletic field.

Education:

Undergraduate University Of Massachusetts Amherst, MA 01003

Bachelor of Science degree in Plant, Soil and Insect Science, completed May 2010.
Concentrated study in Turf Management. Multiple business courses related to management and economics. Sports Turf Liaison for Turf Club.

Associates Stockbridge School, University Of Massachusetts Amherst, MA 01003

Associates of Applied Science in Turfgrass Management, completed May 2009.
Introductory and advanced courses in turf Management, physiology, pathology, entomology and weed management. Represented University in the student challenge at the National STMA shows in 2007 and 2008.

Associates Vermont Technical College Randolph Center, VT 05061

Associates in Landscape Design and Ornamental Horticulture, completed May 2006.
Core classes in general botany, entomology and pathology, general education classes in marketing and business law.
Varsity Basketball team, Co-Captain senior year.

Work Experience:

March 2007 – Present Fenway Park Boston, MA 02215

Grounds crew member at the home field of the Boston Red Sox.

- Laid sod to replace off-season construction damage, prepped the field for concerts and completed post-concert repairs.
- General maintenance of the skinned area and warning track, regular mowing.
- Daily repair of clay pitcher's mound and home plate areas.

Summer 2008 Wainwright Fields Complex South Portland, ME 04106

Grounds crew member at a municipal sports field complex.

- 12 irrigated fields, 6 soccer, 4 softball and 2 baseball, along with 2 non-irrigated quad areas used for practice fields and an irrigated stadium football field separate from the complex.
- Large amounts of experience in field layout and painting, logo painting.
- Mowing, skin and clay area maintenance, sod work, hand and automatic irrigation work.

References:

- David R. Mellor – Head Groundskeeper, Fenway Park
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- Enrico Perruzzi, CSFM – Sports Turf Manager, City of South Portland
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