

# Landscape and Grounds

## Quick Facts

- 25,000 annual flowers are raised from seed each year and planted in flowerbeds
- The irrigation system for central campus consists of over 10,000 sprinkler heads, all of which need to be hand-adjusted
- There is approximately 185 acres of irrigated turf grass maintained by the department
- \$1,712,867 of equipment is used to maintain the campus
- 2,500 trees are pruned, made safe, treated for disease and otherwise maintained
- 25 miles (or 18 acres) of sidewalk and 200 building entries are cleared of snow with each snowfall

Landscape and Grounds provides the cleanest, safest and most aesthetically pleasing outdoor environment for teaching and research, within available resources, while safeguarding the capital investment in the University's surrounding ornamental landscape.

This State-funded department addresses landscape-maintenance, design and construction, ornamental plant production, irrigation, street patching, snow removal and outdoor hazard mitigation.

*Specific activities include:*

- Turf management (mowing, trimming, fertilizing, top-dressing, cow-path repair, etc.) including athletic field maintenance
  - Tree and shrub pruning, installation and removal
  - Flowerbed maintenance
  - Collection and hauling of litter, debris, and small trash can refuse
- Landscape construction
  - Flower and shrub bed installation
  - Finish grading and rock removal
  - Support for campus maintenance and outside contractors.
- Landscape design services
  - Flowerbed and planting design
  - Irrigation system design
- Greenhouse and nursery production
- Street patching and snow removal
- Snow removal services for building entries, sidewalks and service drives
- Outdoor safety and hazard mitigation
- Irrigation system operation and maintenance
- Excavation services

