



BRANCHING UP: VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN URBAN GREENING & SUSTAINABLE LAND CARE

Are you interested in working in **green industries**, such as landscaping, agriculture, recycling, and waste reduction? Would you like a job with growth opportunities in an **\$82 million industry**? Do you want to earn a **vocational certificate** from Temple University?

Temple University's Branching Up program provides students with **comprehensive skills-based training** that equips them for careers in green industries. The 6-week education program combines **work experience** in the Philadelphia Department of Prison's 200-tree orchard, greenhouses, hoop houses, compost facility, and outdoor landscaping classroom with classes on **business skills, relationship skills, nutrition, and the fundamentals of organic agriculture and sustainability.**



Students who complete the education program are eligible for **6-week paid internships** with Temple University and others, where they'll continue to expand their landscaping and horticulture skills in a professional context.



See opposite side for program details and requirements.

classroom and hands-on experience



Hands-on experience includes:

- Working in a 200-tree orchard, plant nursery, landscaped gardens, and compost facility
- Cultivating, planting, harvesting, and maintaining fruits, vegetables, and flowers

Classroom sessions include:

- Communication styles
- Interview skills and practice
- Resume writing
- How to succeed in the workplace
- Effective teamwork
- Nutrition and shopping on a budget
- Fatherhood and relationship skills

Students must be comfortable:

- Working in all types of weather (heat, cold, rain, & snow)
- Working in direct sunlight for extended periods
- Performing physical labor, including walking, standing, and kneeling
- Lifting and carrying 30-50 pounds
- Bending, stooping, and twisting continuously throughout the day

Attendance is required at all sessions to successfully complete the program.



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