

Name: Freddie Clinton (Clint) Waltz Jr.

Rank: Assistant Professor

% Salary Budgeted: Instr. Res. Ext. 100 Outreach



Program Overview: Clint Waltz is a Turfgrass Scientist with the University of Georgia Crop and Soil Sciences Department in Griffin, Georgia. He has developed a multi-faceted extension program to support the turfgrass industry in Georgia. The primary focus has been the development of web-based media and the use of www.GeorgiaTurf.com to disseminate information to clientele. His research efforts have oriented around cultivar evaluation, use of inorganic soil amendments, and nematode management.

Education:

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major Field</u>	<u>Year</u>
B.S.	Clemson Univ.	Horticulture	1992
M.S.	Clemson Univ.	Horticulture / Turfgrass	1997
Ph.D.	Clemson Univ.	Crop, Soil, & Env. Sciences	2001

Employment:

2001-Present UGA, Crop and Soil Sciences Department Assistant Professor

Membership in Professional Societies:

International Turfgrass Society	Turfgrass Producers International
Southern Weed Science Society	Georgia Turfgrass Association
Crop Science Society of America	Metro Atlanta Landscape and Turf Assn.
American Society for Horticultural Science	Georgia Golf Course Superintendents Assn.
SERA-IEG-25-Turf	Georgia Sod Producers Association
Golf Course Superintendents Assn. of America	National Assoc. of County Agric. Agents

Awards:

1. Award – 2006 ASHS Extension Materials Award: Bulletin Category – Designing, Constructing, and Maintaining Bermudagrass Sports Fields.
2. 2005 Georgia Golf Course Superintendents Association Golden Pen Award – Water Conservation and Best Management Practices Preparing Now for the Future.
3. 2005 Southern Region – American Society for Horticultural Sciences Extension Communication Blue Ribbon Award: Websites – Serving Georgia’s Turfgrass Needs through On-line Education: www.GeorgiaTurf.com.
4. 2004 ASA A-4 Educational Materials Awards Program: Websites - www.GeorgiaTurf.com: A website for Georgia’s turfgrasses.

Goals for the Next Five Years:

- Extension:**
1. Continue to publish new Extension bulletins and revise existing bulletins.
 2. Conduct 3 to 5 agent in-service trainings per year.
 3. Develop educational resources on turfgrass water conservation.
 4. Maintain and enhance turfgrass webpage.

- Research:**
1. Determine the proper management practices for newly released grasses.
 2. Work to decrease inputs while maintaining turfgrass quality through cultivar evaluation.
 3. Survey and develop improved nematode management strategies.