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I started in this field working for a landscaping company. It was actually a part-time job that I had in high school. I liked being outside and the money was good, so when I finished school my boss let me start full time. The best part about that job was being able to travel to different locations and homes. Everything can be so vastly different just one neighborhood away.

I was also able to train under the landscaping professional who designed everything from retaining walls, lighting, and ponds to the grass, trees, mulch, and flowers. By really learning all I could from him, I was able to get the experience I needed for my current job. While it is really different helping maintain the grounds of one location, I like seeing how the landscape grows, adapts, and changes each year.

Occupation:

Landscaper

Salary:

\$32,672

Education:

Typically
Requires None

Job Description:

Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers landscape or maintain grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. Workers typically perform a variety of tasks, which may include any combination of the following: sod laying, mowing, trimming, planting, watering, fertilizing, digging, raking, sprinkler installation, and installation of mortarless segmental concrete masonry wall units.*

*Source: This information is based on O*NET™ data. O*NET is a trademark registered to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration.



Job Description:

SOC Code: 37-3011

Top Job Skills:

- Climbing ladders
- Construction planning
- Read utility meters
- Grounds maintenance
- Customer service

General Work Activities:

- Information Input
 - Evaluate reports or designs to determine work needs
- Work Output
 - Dispose of trash or waste materials
 - Operate grounds maintenance equipment
 - Drive trucks or other vehicles to or at work sites
 - Irrigate lawns, trees, or plants
 - Trim trees or other vegetation
 - Prepare chemicals for work application
 - Treat greenery or surfaces with protective substances
 - Remove snow
 - Maintain equipment or systems to ensure proper functioning
 - Cultivate lawns, turf, or gardens
 - Clean facilities or sites
 - Install equipment to protect or support trees
 - Plant greenery to improve landscape appearance
 - Remove debris from work sites

Source: SC Works Online Services (SCWOS)

LEARN MORE WITH SCWOS:

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Find in-depth breakdowns of occupational statistics such as necessary job certifications, job skills and abilities, current job openings, overview of general work activities, and more by visiting [O*NET.org](https://www.o*net.org).

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JOB STATISTICS:



Typical Wage Range
\$29,800 - \$38,420



Projected Growth
2,945/yr Job Openings



Employed In-State
15,990



Required Education
Typically
Requires None



Work Experience
Typically
Requires None



On-the-Job Training
Short-Term
On-the-job Training

*Source: Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EXAMPLES OF WORKFORCE AREAS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Greenville
- Trident
- Worklink
- Upstate
- Midlands
- Upper Savannah

EXAMPLES OF EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS:

Source: SC Works Online Services. Ask an SC Works representative for more information about postings in your area.

- Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC
- Greenville County Schools
- University of South Carolina
- Willow Bridge
- TruGreen Limited Partnership
- C&W Facility Services, Inc.

RELATED OCCUPATIONS*:

- Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse
- Pesticide Handlers, Sprayers, and Applicators, Vegetation
- Tree Trimmers and Pruners
- First-Line Supervisors of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers

NOTE: All data based on state averages. Information may vary depending on region, experience, and specific employment situation. Last Updated: 2024.