

## Landscape Designer

### Description

Landscape designers typically work for companies or groups that provide landscaping design and maintenance services for companies or individuals. These individuals plan, propose and oversee the development of landscapes. They create garden designs on paper and in the field using perennials, annual color, edibles, containers and outdoor furniture.

### Education/Training Requirements

- Associate's or Bachelor's degree in landscape design, horticulture, turf grass, plant science, biology or related field (required)

### Recommended High School Coursework

- Agriculture Education
- Art
- Business
- Design
- Mathematics
- Sciences (Biology, Botany, Earth Science, Geography)

### Common Responsibilities

- Create garden designs on paper and in the field
- Analyze natural and man-made elements of the area
- Utilize geospatial technology to analyze landscaping plans
- Manage installation crews
- Meet with clients and manage client accounts
- Negotiate and coordinate contracts with clientele and vendors
- Develop and execute budgets and plans

### Typical Employers

Landscape designers are employed by greenhouses, nurseries, individual homeowner large and small companies, government agencies, golf courses, athletic venues or universities.

### Additional Resources

[American Farm Bureau Federation](#)

[American Nursery and Landscape Association](#)

[Association of Professional Landscape Designers](#)

[National Association of Landscape Professionals](#)

[Soil Science Society of America](#)

[Weed Science Society of America](#)