

## ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for the UAA's Certified Utility Vegetation Management Professional credential, an individual must fulfill the following requirements:

### 1. Demonstration of Competency

Demonstration of Competency for the UVM PDP Professional Credential is achieved through the successful completion of the final project-based course within the UVM Certificate Program offered online by the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point. The project-based course requires individuals to develop, recommend and present a UVM program plan.

Certification holders will successfully demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and competence in developing sustainable utility vegetation management program plans by:

- Demonstrating a systems approach to UVM program planning.
- Demonstrating the use of program and project management processes, tools, and techniques.
- Demonstrating the integration of safety, integrated vegetation management (IVM), environmental stewardship and best practices.

### 2. Work-related Experience

Those seeking certification must have two (2) years of recent on-the-job experience related to the utility vegetation management industry. The two (2) years of experience must be two consecutive years and must have been within the past five (5) years. A complete resume or curriculum vitae must accompany the application.

### 3. Membership in the Utility Arborist Association

Individuals must be members in good standing of the [Utility Arborist Association](#).

### 4. Commitment to UVM Professional Development Program's Code of Ethics & Professional Conduct

All applicants must review and commit to adhering to the [Code of Ethics & Professional Conduct](#). The signed Release and Authorization form must be submitted with the application and renewal applications.