Celebrating BITS Student Mentors

Professor Francis Lopez

Prof. Francis Lopez, the UWI BITS director, is the Chair of the Department of Biological & Chemical Sciences, UWI Cave Hill. He is a specialist in turf agronomy and sports surface science and has over 15 years of experience as academic faculty at UWI. His research projects mainly deal with turf management to enhance performance under water limited environments, and promotion of resource use efficiency and sustainability in turf/crop systems. His teaching areas includes crop ecology, horticulture, plant physiology and biometry.

In the BITS program, Prof. Lopez co-teaches Tropical Horticultural Ecology (AEBI-421) with Drs. Sean Carrington, Danielle Donnelly, Mr. Jeff Chandler and various other experts.

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Prof. Lopez and his projects at UWI: turf trial (left) and sargassum trial (right).

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