

# Horticulture Professional Certificate Program

Sept. 14 - Nov. 16, 2019

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Class Schedule: Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: 11200 SW 8<sup>th</sup> St., Miami, FL 33199 Class: Owa Ehan (OE) building, lab 161 http://campusmaps.fiu.edu/docs/MMC.pdf

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This 30-hour non-credit survey course of horticulture provides students with core horticultural knowledge. It is appropriate for current and future employees and owners of nurseries, farms, landscape maintenance businesses, botanical gardens, parks, and golf courses as well as hobbyists, and handicapped individuals. All major aspects of horticultural concepts will be covered by theory and/or practical hands-on applications. Satisfactory completion of this course enables the student to sit for The Florida Nursery Growers and Landscapers Association (FNGLA) Horticulture Professional Certificate exam. The course is also a prerequisite for two other FNGLA certificate courses - the Florida Certified Landscape Contractor (FCLC) and the Florida Certified Landscape Designer (FCLD).

https://www.fngla.org/professional-development/certifications/fngla-certified-horticulture-professional

### **TEXTBOOK**

The FNGLA Certified Horticulture Professional Manual © 2010, is provided by The Florida Nursery Growers and Landscapers Association (and is included in the course fee).

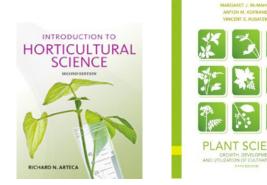


### **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES**

#### Plant Science - Growth, Development, and Utilization of Cultivated

Plants, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, by McMahon *et al*. ISBN-13: 978-0135014073 ISBN-10: 0135014077

Introduction to Horticulture Science 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, by Richard Arteca. ISBN-10: 1111312796 ISBN-13: 9781111312794



#### **COURSE REQUIREMNETS AND POLICIES**

Prior to coming to the workshop, each student is required:

- ✓ On-time participation in all scheduled class and nursery activities is required. Absenteeism and/or nonparticipation not only preclude a student's learning the material in this course, but also will likely affect his/her performance.
- ✓ All electronic devices must be turned off/muted during class.
- Reading of the assigned chapters from the textbook and additional readings prior to class is expected.
- ✓ Learn from the diverse group of people in the class by listening and considering what each person says and writes. You may disagree, but it must be in a way that shows respect and values each person.

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Week	Date	Торіс	Reading
1	Sept. 14	Welcome and Workshop Overview	
	1	History, Trends, and Divisions in Horticulture	Ch. 1
		*Nursery Production and Management	
2	Sept. 21	Plant ID and Plant Biology	Ch. 2
	_	*Plant Growth Hormones (PGRs)	
3	Sep. 28	Plant Propagation (Sexual and Asexual)	Ch. 2
		*Asexual Propagation: Grafting	
4	Oct. 5	Plant Problems: IPM	Ch. 4
5	Oct. 12	Requirements for Plant Growth	Ch. 3
		*Analyzing fertilizer	
6	Oct. 19	Selecting Plants for Landscape	Ch. 5
		*Sexual Propagation: Plant Propagation by Seed and Vigor Tests	
		Evaluation on Variety of Vegetables and Flowers	
7	Oct. 26	Soils and Water Relations: Irrigation	Ch. 6
		*Nursery Production and Management	
8	Nov. 2	Landscape Management	Ch. 7
		*Visit the Pine Island Nursery	
9	Nov. 9	Safety	Ch. 8
		*Pruning	
10	Nov. 16	Current Topics in Horticulture	Papers
		Certificate Presentation	Review

\*Hands-on activity

The Instructor reserves the right to change the outline, readings and dates of materials covered in this course.