

**COURSE SYLLABUS FORMAT**  
Southeast Missouri State University

Department of Agriculture Course No. HO110

Title of Course: Introduction to Horticulture Revision X

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I. Catalog Description and Credit Hours of Course:  
Explores horticulture as a dynamic blending of science, business, and society that makes the world a better place to live. Three hours lecture (3).

II. Prerequisite (s):

none

III. Objectives of the Course:

- A. Identify basic culture and care of plants including an understanding of the science and technology essential to horticulture.
- B. Understand and identify the horticultural specialties and industries.
- C. Understand the interaction between horticultural plants and people, and how this interaction impacts the environment.
- D. Understand the basic classification and naming of plants.
- E. Understand and identify the types of structures, machinery, equipment and tools used by the horticultural industry.

IV. Student Learning Outcomes (Minimum of 3)

- A. Student will be able to specify the horticultural specialties and industries.
- B. Student will be able to identify the basic culture and care of plants.
- C. Student will be able to explain the basic classification and naming of plants.

IV. Expectations of Students:

- A. Read required material prior to class attendance and be prepared to discuss it fully and intelligently.
- B. Actively participate in class discussions
- C. Meet all announced deadlines for assignments.
- D. Read appropriate supplementary materials.
- E. Successful completion of all assignments and forum participation.
- F. Policy: Missing and/or incomplete assignments will be discounted as follows:
  - a. One day late = 25% reduction in points
  - b. Two days late = 50% reduction in points
  - c. Three days late = Zero will be recorded for the assignment
- G. Successful completion of all examinations and quizzes

V. Course Content or Outline (Indicate number of class hours per unit or section):

Topic	Lecture(s)
<b><i>Fundamentals of Horticulture:</i></b> Industries, nomenclature, growth and development, climate	4 Weeks
<b><i>Growing Plants Outdoors:</i></b> Soils, fertility, disorders, landscaping, fruits, vegetables, turf	6 Weeks
<b><i>Growing Plants Indoors:</i></b>	5 Weeks

Interiorscaping, media, lighting, greenhouses, design

VI. Textbook(s) and/or Other Required Materials or Equipment:

- A. Rice, L.W. and R.P. Rice, Jr. 2011. Practical Horticulture, 7<sup>th</sup> ed.. Pearson/Prentice Hall. ISBN: 978-0-503866-6.
- B. Selected class handouts provided by the instructor.

VII. Basis for Student Evaluation:

Grades will be based on the following:

One One-Hour Exam.....	15 percent
Four Unscheduled Quizzes.....	20 percent
Four Homework Assignments.....	20 percent
Four Laboratory Assignments.....	20 percent
Classroom and Forum Participation Points.....	10 percent
One Two-Hour Final Exam (comprehensive).....	15 percent
Total.....	100 percent
Grading Scale: 100-90 (A), 80-89 (B), 70-79 (C), 60-69 (D), less than 60 (F)	

***Attendance and Work Ethic***

You are expected to be in class, punctually, for the entire duration of the class, each time the class is held. The official statement about attendance, derived from the Undergraduate Bulletin, may be accessed at: <http://www.semo.edu/bulletin/pdf/2006Bulletin.pdf>

***Academic honesty***

The Undergraduate Bulletin defines academic dishonesty as "...those acts which would deceive, cheat, or defraud so as to promote one's scholastic record..." and states that "violations of academic honesty represent a serious breach of discipline and may be considered grounds for disciplinary action, including dismissal from the university." You are expected to understand and abide by this rule. Any academic dishonesty, including any form of cheating including plagiarism will not be tolerated and the individual will be referred to judicial affairs.

- The official statement about academic honesty, including plagiarism, may be accessed at: <http://www.semo.edu/bulletin/pdf/2006Bulletin.pdf>
- Additional information may be accessed at: <http://www6.semo.edu/judaffairs/>

***Civility and Harassment***

In this class we will maintain a climate of mutual respect and orderly conduct. Judicial Affairs is responsible for addressing such matters and that information is available at: <http://www6.semo.edu/judaffairs/>

***Disabilities***

Diversity in all its forms merit the respect of the faculty, and this applies equally to students with disabilities. Students may obtain official information about disabilities from Learning Assistance and Disability Support Services, located at: <http://www.semo.edu/cs/services/lec.htm>