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HORTICULTURE LAB: AGRI 1115 Course Syllabus: Spring 2019

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Office Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	N/A	12:20-1:00	N/A	12:20-1:00	N/A	

The information contained in this syllabus is subject to change without notice. Students are expected to be aware of any additional course policies presented by the instructor during the course.

Catalog Course Description: This laboratory-based course accompanies AGRI 1315. Laboratory activities will reinforce the fundamental principles and practices in the development, production, and management of horticulture crops including growth and development, climate, plant requirements, pest management, and production methods. Course is required for agriculture major students taking course in ag concentration. Lab may be taken independently of lecture: AGRI 1315 course.

Optional Textbook:

Introductory Horticulture, 8/E Carroll L. Shry, Jr. H. Edward Reiley **Publisher:** Cengage Learning **ISBN Number:** 9781435480414

Lab Content: Lab materials and content will be provided and take place on Eagle Ranch and in the greenhouse. Students will be expected to demonstrate the following objectives.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- 1. Students will demonstrate the structure, growth, and development of horticultural plants from a practical and scientific approach.
- 2. Students will compare the environmental effects, basic principles of propagation, greenhouse and outdoor production, nutrition, pruning, chemical control of growth, pest control, and landscaping techniques in practical applications on the NTCC farm.
- 3. Students will illustrate plant taxonomic relationships.
- 4. Students will apply horticulture techniques and observe how plants differ in reproduction; soil differences; plant production; and harvesting.
- 5. Students will observe and report on deficiency of elements to plant growth.
- 6. Students will illustrate knowledge of careers, professional organizations, and training available for horticulturalist.

Lab:

This course will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in AGC117 from 9:30 - 10:50. The course will consist of classroom lectures using multimedia presentations as well as classroom discussions. Labs will consist of hands on learning, demonstrations, quizzes and field trips. Labs will not be available for make-up.

Evaluation/Grading Policy:

Grades will be computed as follows:	
Class Participation:	40%
Skill Exams:	30%
Reports/Quizzes	30%

Class Participation:

Students are required to participate in both classroom and lab activities. Participation is 40% of the final grade and attendance is required to participate. Students are expected to be on time and ready to begin when class statrs at 11:00am. Students will also be required to travel locally for some labs. Students are expected to arrive on time and behave in a professional manner.

Skill Exams:

There will be a series of skill exams accounting for 30% of your overall grade. Exams will be hands on experiences that will be consistent with the labs.

Reports/Quizzes:

Quizzes are unannounced and may be held during labs. There will be no make-ups for quizzes. Students should arrive on time and be ready with a pen or pencil and notebook paper.

Students will be required to turn in lab reports at the end of class. These reports/quizzes will account for 30% of your final grade.

Other Course Requirements:

Student are required to dress appropriatley for lab; this includes closed toed shoes, safety glasses(when required), and appropriate dress for working outdoors.

Student Responsibilities/Expectations:

Students are required to participate in both classroom and lab activities. Participation is 40% of the final grade and attendance is required to participate. Students are expected to be on time and ready to begin when class statrs at 11:00am. Student should be courtious and treat one another with respect to allow for a peaceful and effective learning environment.

NTCC Academic Honesty Statement:

"Students are expected to complete course work in an honest manner, using their intellects and resources designated as allowable by the course instructor. Students are responsible for addressing questions about allowable resources with the course instructor. NTCC upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. This course will follow the NTCC Academic Honesty policy stated in the Student Handbook."

Academic Ethics

The college expects all students to engage in academic pursuits in a manner that is beyond reproach. Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuit. Academic dishonesty such as cheating, plagiarism, or collusion is unacceptable and will result in disciplinary action. Refer to the student handbook for more information on this subject.

ADA Statement:

It is the policy of NTCC to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals with disabilities. This College will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to arrange an appointment with a College counselor to obtain a Request for Accommodations form. For more information, please refer to the NTCC Catalog or Student Handbook.

Family Educational Rights And Privacy Act (Ferpa):

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's educational records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are considered "eligible students." In essence, a parent has no legal right to obtain information concerning the child's college records without the written consent of the student. In compliance with FERPA, information classified as "directory information" may be released to the general public without the written consent of the student unless the student makes a request in writing. Directory information is defined as: the student's name, permanent address and/or local address, telephone listing, dates of attendance, most recent previous education institution attended, other information including major, field of study, degrees, awards received, and participation in officially recognized activities/sports.

Other Course Policies:

The use of cell phones or texting devices is prohibited during class and lab. Students caught using these devices will be asked to leave and will lose participation points. NTCC tobacco policy will be enforced and violators will be asked to leave.