



HOME HORTICULTURE

Certificate Program

Each garden is a unique combination of site, soil, climate and the gardener who creates it. The Home Horticulture Certificate gives you the knowledge and skill to select plants successfully, and to develop, grow and maintain your home landscape.

The curriculum assists you in mastering the gardening techniques best suited for North Carolina gardens through lectures, demonstrations, field experiences and projects. The classes focused on native plants and systems will assist you in sustainable gardening. Enjoy learning from local experts and sharing your experiences with other gardeners.

You do not have to be enrolled in a certificate program to take a class. Everyone is welcome in certificate courses.

Participants already pursuing the certificate should continue to complete the requirements in place when they began. For people just beginning the certificate program, please see the requirements listed below.

FULL LISTING OF REQUIRED COURSES:

For current programs scheduled, please see the class listings. Some required courses are offered seasonally.

- Landscape Plants for North Carolina Gardens: four seasonal courses—spring, summer, fall and winter, page 25
- Basic Botany and Plant Growth, page 29
- Gardening 101, page 24
- Caring for Your Landscape, page 30

ELECTIVE COURSES:

These courses change seasonally, and 40 class hours of electives are the minimum required to complete your certificate. Electives are created in response to student requests, allowing students to pursue their specific interests.

ELECTIVE CLASSES THIS SEASON INCLUDE:

- The WOW Factor, page 23
- Plants of Distinction, page 26
- Building Healthy Soil, page 28
- A North Carolina English Cottage Garden, page 28
- Create a Bird-Friendly Garden, page 30

For more information or to enroll in a class or certificate program, please call the registrar's office at 919-668-1707 or email gardenseducation@duke.edu.