ADLTED 748.2 Course Outline as of Fall 2025

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ADLTED 748.2 Title: INTRO TO NURSERY OPER

Full Title: Introduction to Nursery Operations

Last Reviewed: 5/14/2018

Units		Course Hours per Weel	k Ni	or of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	0	Lecture Scheduled	0	8	Lecture Scheduled	0
Minimum	0	Lab Scheduled	3.00	4	Lab Scheduled	24.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	24.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 0.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 24.00

Title 5 Category: Non-Credit

Grading: Non-Credit Course

Repeatability: 27 - Exempt From Repeat Provisions

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

Introduction to plant propagation and production practices with emphasis on nursery operations.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Course Completion of ADED 744 (or ADLTED 744)

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

Description: Introduction to plant propagation and production practices with emphasis on

nursery operations. (Non-Credit Course)

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended: Course Completion of ADED 744 (or ADLTED 744)

Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit:

Repeatability: Exempt From Repeat Provisions

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the environmental requirements necessary for plants to be reproduced in a nursery environment.
- 2. Describe the use and maintenance of common propagation and nursery techniques, tools, and equipment.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Describe principles of plant reproduction
- 2. Demonstrate plant propagating methods including seed, cuttings, layering, division
- 3. Describe proper timing for various propagation and production techniques
- 4. Use a recipe to create a propagating media
- 5. Measure and mix fertilizers and apply them following label directions
- 6. Identify, use, and maintain common propagation, nursery tools and equipment
- 7. Describe various types of wholesale plant production industries in Sonoma and California

Topics and Scope:

- I. Wholesale Plant Production Operations
- II. Introduction to Plant Environmental Requirements
 - A. Light
 - B. Temperature
 - C. Water
 - D. Air
 - E. Root attachment
 - F. Mineral nutrition
 - G. Photoperiodism

III. Plant Propagation

- A. Methods and types of propagation and reproduction
- B. Use and maintenance of common propagation and nursery tools and equipment

IV. Cuttings

V. Grafting and Budding

- VI. Considerations of Nursery Stock Production
 - A. Planting media
 - B. Fertilizing and watering
 - C. Planting and transplanting
 - D. Pruning, pinching, disbudding
 - E. Chemical growth regulation
 - F. Controlling insect and disease pests of nursery stock
 - G. Preparation of stock for sale
- VII. Nursery Equipment
 - A. Safety considerations
 - B. Care and maintenance

Assignment:

None

- 1. Create a poster or digital media project showing plant environmental requirements
- 2. Mix three or more types of planting media
- 3. Propagate plants from seeds or cuttings (3 to 5)
- 4. Propagate plants from cutting or buds (3 to 5)
- 5. Oral presentation describing characteristics of one common nursery plant

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-

computational problem solving skills.

Poster or digital media project

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Propagating and grafting exercises; mixing planting media

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

None

Writing 0 - 0%

Problem solving 20 - 30%

Skill Demonstrations 30 - 40%

Exams 0 - 0%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Oral presentation; attendance and active participation

Other Category 30 - 40%

Representative Textbooks and Materials: Instructor prepared materials