### **HORT 140 Course Outline as of Spring 2003**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: HORT 140 Title: FRUIT TREE SEL & PLNT

Full Title: Fruit Tree Selection and Planting

Last Reviewed: 7/22/2002

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	1.50	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	8	Lecture Scheduled	24.00
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	0	8	Lab Scheduled	0
		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: 48.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 72.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: AG 297.1

#### **Catalog Description:**

Fruit tree selection, planting, and care for small orchard or home garden. Includes desirable varieties, pruning and training methods, and pest management.

# **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

## **Recommended Preparation:**

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **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:**

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Outcomes and Objectives:**

The student will:

- 1. Differentiate among the types of fruit trees.
- 2. Describe the three ways trees are sold and the planting techniques for each.
- 3. Identify desirable characteristics of a variety of fruit trees.
- 4. Select the best tree for a given location.
- 5. List the major soil separates.
- 6. Describe soil moisture holding capacities.
- 7. Describe water and fertilizer needs of a variety of fruit trees.
- 8. Differentiate among the three common general pruning practices.

# **Topics and Scope:**

- I. Tree types
- A. Dwarf
- B. Semi-dwarf
- C. Standard
- II. Cultural Care
- A. Soil
  - 1. Types
  - 2. Preparation
- B. Planting
  - 1. Methods
  - 2. Post-planting care
- C. Fertilizer
  - 1. Requirements
  - 2. Types
  - 3. Application methods
- D. Water
  - 1. Soil/water relationship
  - 2. Watering requirements

- E. Winter protection
  - 1. Temperature tolerance
  - 2. Methods of protection
- F. Pruning
  - 1. General training
    - a. central leader
    - b. modified center leader
    - c. vase
  - 2. Specific training
    - a. specie specific
    - b. espalier
    - c. hedges
    - d. establishment

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## **Assignment:**

- 1. Complete worksheets for lectures and videos.
- 2. Write a brief report on selection, planting, and care of one fruit tree
- 3. Observe and critique pruning techniques on various fruit trees.

#### 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.

Brief report.

Writing 10 - 20%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems, Field work, Field critique.

Problem solving 30 - 50%

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

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

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

Multiple choice, True/false, Matching items, Completion

Exams 20 - 30%

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

Class participation.

Other Category 10 - 20%

# **Representative Textbooks and Materials:** Instructor prepared handouts.