

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE
COURSE SYLLABUS
ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES & SKILLED TRADES
Horticulture and Turfgrass Management Program
Revision Date: August 2020

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Course Number: HORT 2901
Course Title Cooperative Experience
Prerequisite(s): 30 Credit Hours or Advisors Permission

Catalog Description: Instructor supervised on-the-job training to gain experience in a horticulture or turfgrass management occupation. Apply skills and principles learned and acquire additional skills for growth and advancement.

Credit Hours: 6.0
Class Hours: 0
Lab Hours: 360
Total Contact Hours: Total of Class + Lab Hours 360

II. COURSE OBJECTIVES: *Course will:*

1. Give each student an opportunity to a planned, supervised work experience in the field of employment which they have pursued educationally.
2. Provide the student with the opportunity to experience the "real world" of employment and it's surroundings.
3. Expand breadth of knowledge and expertise in horticulture or turfgrass management.
4. Enhance ability to adapt to changes in technology.
5. Further, develop and enhance ability to communicate with coworkers and supervisor.
6. Develop leadership skills and qualities, to become outstanding leader and team players within the horticulture and turfgrass management industry.
7. Demonstrate professional behavior, appearance and attitude.
8. Demonstrate punctuality and self-discipline.
9. Accept responsibility for tasks assigned.
10. Develop and enhance networking abilities.
11. Analyze issues, problems and situations in the field.
12. Allow students further develop time management skills.

III. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES:

A. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: *Student will be able to:*

1. Identify work related problems or issues that occur in the workplace.
2. Learn and experience diversity in the workforce.
3. Develop networking abilities within their internship.
4. Accept and carryout assigned duties.
5. Hold their selves accountable and be punctual toward their job.
5. Display a professional behavior, attitude and dress attire to the companies' requirements.

6. Develop leadership qualities and become a team player for the company.
7. Utilize critical thinking on their internship.
8. Further develop communication skills with the supervisor and employees.
9. Analyze and comprehend the agricultural economy during coop.
10. Create a list of objectives/learning goals they wish to obtain while on coop.
11. Enhance current skills gained from SCC.
12. Develop into professionals within the industry.
13. Manage their own personal finances.
14. Gain real-life experience. (Locating a place to live etc.)
15. Participate in a 10-week, 420-hour (minimum) coop, of their choice within the Agriculture Industry.

B. GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES

GELO #6: Career and Life Skills

At the heart of the SCC Core is a philosophy that our graduates will leave SCC with both a well-rounded, broad-based education and a set of skills that will set them up for success and fulfillment in their personal and professional lives.

Outcomes:

- 1) Employ effective interpersonal and intrapersonal communication skills.
- 2) Acquire entrepreneurial skills and attitudes.
- 3) Demonstrate financial literacy.
- 4) Use digital technology effectively to access, manage, integrate, evaluate, and present information.
- 5) Develop knowledge and habits that will foster physical, emotional, social, spiritual, intellectual, and environmental wellness.
- 6) Develop skills that will support positive and fulfilling relationships with others.
- 7) Demonstrate choices that reflect personal responsibility in one's academic, civic, social, and vocational/professional life.

IV. CONTENT/TOPICAL OUTLINE (*course outline may provide more detailed information*)

- A. Following training plans as developed
- B. Complete the minimum hours of supervised work experience (420).
- C. Complete the three employer evaluations (3-week, 6 weeks, and end of term).
- D. Keep records of activities, hours, and pay.
- E. Complete end of term in class requirements. (15 hours).

V. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

A. Required Text(s): None required

B. Other Resources:

Handouts, work evaluations as provided

VI. METHODS OF PRESENTATION/INSTRUCTION

Methods of presentation typically include a combination of the following:

- A. Lecture/discussion
- B. Handouts
- C. Work site visits and /or technology communication (Skype, email, ect.).

VII. METHODS OF EVALUATION

Methods of evaluation typically include a combination of the following:

- A. Completion of a minimum of 420 work hours.
- B. Completion of employer evaluations.
- C. Fulfillment of all written and oral pre-employment, employment, and post-employment contracts.

SCC STANDARD GRADING SCALE POLICY:

A+ 95-100	C+ 75-79
A 90-94	C 70-74
B+ 85-89	D+ 65-69
B 80-84	D 60-64
	F Below 60

VIII. SPECIFIC COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Prerequisite AGRI 2204 or instructor permission.
- B. End of term in class attendance (2 days).