

Organic Gardening Certificate Program



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Comprehensive Training

Learn the knowledge and skills of organic gardening, urban agriculture, and ecological landscaping. This program is similar in scope and scale to the OSU Extension Service Master Gardener™ Program, with an organic gardening focus. It will utilize a hands-on approach to teach participants about all aspects of growing plants without synthesized chemical fertilizers and pesticides. This 57-hour training was created by OSU Extension, Oregon Tilth, and other program partners to support the groundswell of interest in organic gardening, ecological landscaping, and food security in the Portland metro area.

Course Topics Include:

Soils, compost, plant biology, plant propagation, garden planning/design, year round vegetable gardening, ecological landscapes, ornamental plants, rain gardens, pervious pavement, ecoroofs, entomology, Integrated Pest Management (IPM), and fruit and nut production.

Volunteer Practicum:

Participants will have the opportunity to serve as garden educators by connecting with a variety of local gardening projects and organizations through a 30-hour volunteer practicum after completion of the course.

COST:

\$500 for training and volunteer practicum.

\$750 for training only w/o volunteer practicum.

Limited scholarships available.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

To reserve your space call or email:

ogcp.register@gmail.com 503-360-4185

WHEN:

Classes will take place during Fall 2008. Dates include:

- Thursday October 2nd from 6-9pm.
- Saturdays October 4th – December 6th (except November 29th) from 9am - 4pm.

WHERE:

- Luscher Farm
- Learning Gardens Laboratory
- PSU Campus
- Tour of Portland rain gardens

Other locations TBA

CERTIFICATE:

All participants that complete 57-hour training will receive an official certificate of completion.

