

Production Horticulture

Diploma



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BECOME A GROWING SUCCESS!

Grow your career in the essential and dynamic field of Production Horticulture. Get the experience and training you need in greenhouse and field production of fruits, vegetables and landscape crops. Develop the skills in growing, marketing and management that you need for a vital, challenging and successful Production Horticulture career.

... and there's more with a Production Horticulture diploma at Olds College!

Program Description

Production Horticulture plays a hugely important role in the economy in the production of both traditional (fruits, vegetables, landscape plants) and specialty crops (potted plants and cut flowers). The Production Horticulture diploma gives you a broad exposure to the diverse and critically important greenhouse and field production sectors of the horticulture industry. You'll combine practical training in the classroom with hands-on experience with labs in the field and greenhouses using some of the latest technology that is available. Your ability as a future grower will be further complemented as you learn the business, supervisory and marketing skills that are required for a successful Production Horticulture career.

What people say about us...

"If they were not properly trained, we would not have hired as many Olds College Horticulture graduates as we have over the years. We have certainly been pleased with your students, and will continue to employ them in the future."

Bill Hole

Hole's Greenhouses and Gardens Ltd.



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Career Opportunities

The Production Horticulture industry offers exciting and rewarding careers in a broad spectrum of greenhouse and field businesses and operations. Graduates early on, start their careers as growers in any number of fruit, vegetable, greenhouse or field crop producing businesses, and this is only the beginning.

The horticulture industry also needs graduates with an up-to-date and sophisticated understanding of crop production and business practices. Career opportunities for those graduating with a Production Horticulture diploma include employment in the greenhouse, nursery, fruit and vegetable producing industries.

Typical positions include:

- Fruit grower ➤
- Vegetable grower ➤
- Nursery specialist ➤
- Greenhouse technician ➤
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM) technician ➤
- Plant propagator ➤
- Garden centre supervisor ➤
- Food processing technician ➤
- Marketing & sales representative ➤
- ...and more! ➤

Admission Requirements

Applicants must have:

- a) High School Diploma or its equivalent
- b) 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2
- c) 50% or better in Pure Math 20 or Applied Math 20
- d) 50% or better in Biology 20 and Chemistry 20 OR Science 30.

Alternate Admissions Status:

Alternate Admission Status applies if you do not meet the Alberta high school requirements of the program to which you are applying, or if you received your high school education through home based learning. Alternate Admission Status students may be required to meet specific program admission requirements. To apply under this status, you must submit a transcript(s) showing any completed high school and post-secondary courses, a statement in support of your application outlining aspects of your background and experience that might have prepared you for the program. Documents such as a resume, letters of reference from previous educators or employers, and/or a portfolio of related academic/project work must be included with your application.

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COURSES

- Plant Applications
- Record keeping
- Production Irrigation
- Weed Ecology and Management
- Biology of Pests
- Vegetable Production
- Field Production of Floristry Crops
- Fruit Production
- Diseases of Production Crops
- Fall Greenhouse Crops
- Principles of Marketing
- Arthropod Management in Production Sys.
- Winter Greenhouse Crops
- Professional Practice
- Nursery Production

For a full listing of program courses visit www.oldscollege.ca/programs

What people say about us...

"The program at Olds College tells you what you need to know and is a stepping stone to a successful horticulture career. It gave me the insight into the horticulture industry I needed to start planning my own business."

➤ Tim Moreland
➤ Sherwood Park, Alberta

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