

Horticulture

Welcome to the L2 Horticulture course at Wiltshire College and University Centre, to start your learning journey to success in your chosen field. We really look forward to welcoming you in September.

Please find below course details including related costs and items you need to get ready for the start of term.

Resource Fee

You will need to pay your £25.00 non-refundable Resource Fee before coming to enrol. This can be done on the online shop www.shop.wiltshire.ac.uk You will need to bring a copy of your receipt to enrolment as proof of purchase. If you cannot pay online, please pay by card on enrolment day.

Stationery

All students are required to provide their own stationery, to include:
A4 lined note paper, pens, pencils, rubbers, 30cm ruler, compass
A4 folder and dividers, A4 poly pockets for completed assignments and folders for completing course work and in-class assessments, coloured Post-it Notes and revision/record cards.

Books

We highly recommend that you purchase a copy of:

‘A Handbook for Horticultural Students’ by [Peter Dawson](#) ISBN: 8601200439069

Uniform & PPE

All students are required to have specific clothing and PPE, which must be worn in all practical sessions. More information on how to order this from our supplier will be added soon – we will email you when this is available to view.

We do not provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and this must be purchased before you start your course. If PPE is not present at the start of term, this may exclude you from ALL practical sessions.

For Health and Safety reasons NO visible piercings are permissible during practical activities. All jewellery must be removed including necklaces and rings.
It is also advised not to have nail extensions or false nails as this could cause injury to animals or yourself. Please be aware no hoodies are permissible for practical sessions.

Students are required to purchase:

- Polo shirt(s)
- Sweatshirt(s)
- Waterproof coat

Students are required to have the following clothing, which **must** be worn in all practical sessions:

- Steel toe cap boots
- Work gloves

We recommend students wear waterproof clothing when appropriate which must be plain colour (black, green or navy) and appropriate for industry and will be available to buy from the online shop:

- Warm all weather jacket / Gillet
- Cargo / Work trousers (not fashion jeans)
- Waterproof trousers

Trips and guest speakers

All students are expected to attend college educational enrichment activities as part of their course.

We will also have guest speakers and employer masterclasses throughout the year.

A contribution of £150 is required from all students. Please pay on the college online shop which can be found at [Wiltshire College Online Shop](#) by 6 October 2024.

Please note that trip fees are non-refundable. Please note residential trips may incur extra cost but details of trips/visits will be discussed, and information provided.

Work Experience

As part of your course, you are required to find and carry out a work placement. Please look around your local area for businesses or organisations to complete the placement.

If you have already found a placement, please contact Ann Simpson (ann.simpson@wiltshire.ac.uk) and Lucy Goverd (lucy.goverd@wiltshire.ac.uk) about the establishment you have found and their contact details.

Warm-up activities

Students who are keen to get involved in horticulture, we thought you would enjoy checking out these links for ideas on what you could get up to over summer.

Useful Websites

[Home - British Association of Landscape Industries \(bali.org.uk\)](http://bali.org.uk)

[RHS - Inspiring everyone to grow / RHS Gardening](#)

[Pro & Domestic Garden and Power Tools | STIHL GB](#)

Places to Visit

[Whitehall Garden Centres](#)

[Lacock | Wiltshire | National Trust](#)

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