Horticulture Career Pathway

Start Here:
Low-Wage Job
LSW Program
Unemployed
High School/GED
Career Change
ABE/ESL
TANF/Food Stamps
Work Discovery
First Step Program

Entry Requirements**
COMPASS test:
65 Writing, 75 Reading, 28 Math (Pre-algebra)
OR
ASSET test:
40 Writing, 40 Reading, 33 Math
OR
COMPASS ESL test: 89 Reading/listening, 87 Grammar/usage, 9 Math

Or if scores are too low, Developmental Education

A love of plants

Meet early with a horticulture faculty member to plan your schedule.
Take LHO 100 as soon as it is offered. This class will insure that the program is a good fit for you.

Horticulture Degree Options:
- Landscape Design & Construction Basics
- Landscape Maintenance
- Sustainable Land Management
- Horticultural Studies

Jobs after 1 quarter:
LHO 100 1
LHO 109 3
LHO 115 3
LHO 135 3
LHO 121 4
MTH 110 3
CREDITS: 17

Click here for sequence of classes for all degree and certificate options

Jobs after 1 year certificate:
Self-employment in landscape design/installation, self-employment as a garden consultant, employment with a municipal parks department, supervisory-track positions with commercial landscape management firms and landscape construction firms.

Wages:
- $20-38/hr
- $23-52/hr

Jobs after 4 quarters:
Meet early with a horticulture faculty member to plan your schedule.
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Jobs after an AAS/T Degree:
- Self-employment maintaining or installing small landscapes, supervisory-track jobs with a landscape management or construction business, work in a retail nursery/garden center.

Wages:
- $10-20/hr

*Job title and wage information was derived from annual wages reported in the Occupational Employment Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Seattle/King County Workforce Development Area. The web address to produce this report is: http://www.workforceexplorer.com/cgi/dataanalysis/AreaSelection.asp?TableName=Oeswage
*It is important to note that actual job titles and wages will vary depending on demonstrable skills and experience.

Academic quarters are 11 weeks in length and begin in January, March, June, and September.
I'm Interested – How Do I Get Started On My Career Path?

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I'm Worried About Taking the Test to Get Into School

What if I Need Extra Help?

Start planning your future now!

How will I pay for school?

What is it like to work in Horticulture?

What is a Career Pathway?

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