



10 Most Frequently Asked Questions

Landscape Horticulture Program

- 1. What is the scope of the education a landscape horticulture student receives?**
Our focus is on industry standards, hands-on experience, techniques and current trends within the landscape industry.
- 2. Do you invite people presently in the industry to come talk in the classroom?**
Yes, absolutely! Many professionals are anxious to share their knowledge and expertise of the industry with our students.
- 3. Are there internships or scholarships available to students?**
Yes. Students are strongly encouraged to apply for the various internship positions. Numerous scholarships are available to eligible students through the SSCC Foundation after a student has attended at least one quarter.
- 4. Is the Arboretum incorporated into our learning time?**
Our six-acre SSCC Community Arboretum provides a hands-on outdoor classroom setting. It gives students a place to practice skills and gain invaluable firsthand botanical knowledge.
- 5. Can I realistically finish getting the certificate/degree in the one or two years?**
Yes, if you enroll as a full-time student and make satisfactory progress, you will attain the necessary credits and skills to receive your certificate or degree.
- 6. Are my credits transferable to a four-year university?**
It depends on each school's particular requirements. Students should inquire directly with the intended university or college. Students should also work with an SSCC advisor or counselor as soon as possible to create an educational plan.
- 7. What is the average age group entering the program?**
Many students come to us in their mid-30's or older, usually looking for a career change.
- 8. Are instructors available to students during non-class hours?**
Yes, an office-hours schedule is made available to all students each quarter.
- 9. Can I realistically work and go to school full-time?**
Most new students prefer to work part-time while attending school full-time.
- 10. Will I have a sustainable income after completion of my degree?**
Once you obtain your degree and skills, there is a broad spectrum of opportunities in the landscape industry. Graduates go on to work for others or as independent contractors.