2021 Extension ProHort Core Course

Endorsing Organization Guidelines
No financial commitment is necessary to become an endorsing organization for the 2021 ProHort Core Course.

BENEFITS OF ENDORSEMENT

• Endorsing organizations will be linked in the program listing on applicable Arboretum webpage(s).
• Members and staff of endorsing organizations may attend the summit at the member rate.

YOUR COMMITMENT

• Endorsing organizations actively publicize and market the event to their members and the general public through direct mail, email campaigns, website listings, etc., as appropriate.*

TO CONFIRM YOUR ORGANIZATION’S ENDORSEMENT*

• Please contact one or both of the following Arboretum staff:
  Jill Leenay, Arboretum Education Communications, leen0014@umn.edu
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• Please include the Arboretum Education Department in any distribution lists as follows:
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ProHort Core Course: Online Class At-Your-Own-Pace starting January 2021
Course listing online at https://www.arboretum.umn.edu/gardening.aspx

ProHort is for industry professionals, homeowners, educators and anyone looking for comprehensive horticulture foundation education from University of Minnesota Extension. The ProHort Core Course includes the same online classes offered for the Master Gardener Volunteer Core Course. Receive the same instruction at the same time, without the obligation of volunteering or continuing education!

This course consists of 14 modules that can be completed online, at-your-own-pace. There is a knowledge quiz at the end of each module:

1. Botany & Horticulture
2. Soils, Composting & Fertilizers
3. Herbaceous Plants
4. Woody Plants
5. Lawn Care
6. Weed Management
7. Growing Vegetables
8. Growing Fruit
9. Indoor Plants
10. IPM
11. Plant Pathology
12. Plant Diagnostics
13. Entomology
14. Living with Wildlife

Optional Introductory Live-Online Meet-and-Greet for Registered Participants
Thursday, January 7, 5-6 p.m.
There will be an optional introductory meet-and-greet with Laura, your teaching assistant, and fellow students! We will go over how to log in, share our burning questions we’re hoping to learn from the course, and talk about live learning opportunities along the way. The meeting is optional and will be pre-recorded for those who cannot attend the live session.

Optional Live-Online Facilitated Q&A Sessions
6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, January 21 - April 8
You may optionally choose to virtually attend a Q&A session with your classmates and facilitators (and occasional guest experts) online to review the module content.

How it works - online
You will receive course login information and details by email from your Course Teaching Assistant, Laura, on or before January 8, 2020. The online course is self-paced, and you will have access to complete all the online information, modules, and quizzes through December 2021. If you have questions or challenges with accessing the online course, Laura will be available to assist you!

Reference manual is included
A reference manual will be mailed to you prior to the course start date, approximately mid-December. Enter your mailing address at checkout, or leave your address blank if you do not want a paper manual (help save a tree!).

Time Commitment
Expect an average of 40 - 60 hours to complete all the course material and quizzes.

Certificates of Completion
Earn a Certificate of Completion by passing each of the 14 online knowledge quizzes that are available after each module.

Registration Deadline December 1, 2020

Questions for the ProHort Teaching Assistant?
Contact Laura Vogel at lbvogel@umn.edu

$550 Arb member or Endorsing Organization member/$590 non-member, includes manual and optional Q&A sessions