

## Program Number 31-001-1 Technical Diploma • Two Terms

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Horticulture technicians can make a living in a wide variety of ways. You may work in the disciplines of plant propagation and production for a greenhouse or tree nursery - nurturing plants to be used in landscaping, food production, or sold in retail garden centers. You may also work on landscape maintenance or landscape construction crews for landscape contractors, lawn care service companies, botanical gardens, municipal park departments, golf courses, and natural resource management agencies. Work duties are typically out of doors and very hands-on. The work of a horticulture technician is truly a "green" career.

### PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Analyze growing media.
- Diagnose plant health.
- Communicate as a horticulture professional.

### CAREER AND EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

LTC credits transfer to over 30 universities. For more information visit [gotoltc.edu/future-students/transfer](http://gotoltc.edu/future-students/transfer).

### PROGRAM ADMISSIONS STEPS

- Work with Career Coach to:
  - Submit application and \$30 fee.
  - Submit official transcripts (high school and other colleges).

### ENROLLMENT PROCESS

- Work with program Academic Advisor to:
  - Complete an assessment for placement (Accuplacer or ACT).
  - Complete Functional Abilities Statement of Understanding form.
  - Meet to plan your first semester schedule, review your entire plan of study, discuss placement assessment results and complete any additional enrollment requirements.

### APPROXIMATE COSTS

- \$132.20 per credit tuition (WI resident) plus \$7.27 per credit student activity fee. \$10 per credit online fee. Material fee varies depending on course. Other fees vary by program. Visit [gotoltc.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-fees](http://gotoltc.edu/financial-aid/tuition-and-fees) for details.

### FINANCIAL AID

This program is eligible for financial aid. Visit [gotoltc.edu/Financial-Aid](http://gotoltc.edu/Financial-Aid) or talk with your Career Coach about how to apply for aid.

### SPECIAL NOTE

To parallel the work cycle of this profession and to provide a potent curriculum including full life cycles of plants and seasonal application of knowledge and skills, this program's instruction meets throughout the summer months and completes within 10 months (August through June).

To avoid multi-term overlap conflicts, students are asked to enroll in the specific courses as planned in your schedule.

### CONTACT

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Catalog No.	Class Title	Credit(s)
<b>Term 1 - Fall</b>		
10001110	Horticulture Introduction	3
10001114	Computer Applications for Technicians	1
10001127	Landscape Design Studio Introduction	1
10001153	Botany and Soil Science	3
10001159	Plants 1	2
10001180	Landscape Installation 1	2
10001109	Landscape Installation 2	2
		<b>14</b>
<b>Term 2 - Winter/Spring</b>		
10001128	Computer Aided Design for Sustainability	2
10001130	Greenhouse & Nursery Production	2
10801196	Oral/Interpersonal Communications	3
10806112	Principles of Sustainability	3
10804123	Math with Business Applications	3
		<b>13</b>
<b>Term 3 - Late Spring/Summer</b>		
10001158	Plants 2	2
10001170	Facilities Maintenance/Installation	1
10001172	Landscape Maintenance	3
		<b>6</b>
		<b>TOTAL 33</b>

*Curriculum and Program Acceptance requirements are subject to change. Program start dates vary; check with your advisor for details. The tuition and fees are approximate based on 2017-2018 rates and are subject to change prior to the start of the academic year.*



**BOTANY AND SOIL SCIENCE...**introduces the language and nature of botany and biology and makes them relevant to horticulture and landscaping. It also addresses the interactions of healthy plants and soils and examines the physical, chemical, biological, and management characteristics of soils. COREQUISITE: 10001110 Horticulture-Introduction

**COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN FOR SUSTAINABILITY...**will use computer and computer aided design software as tools for design communication; learners will be introduced to the fundamental components of CAD in landscape design. Property lines, topography, site planning, hardscapes, planting plans, and section view graphics will be covered. PREREQUISITES: 10001114 Computer Applications for Technicians and 10001127 Landscape Design Studio Intro

**COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR TECHNICIANS...**provides the learner with basics of the current Windows operating system, terminology, file management, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, and horticulture engineering applications utilizing appropriate computer drafting software.

**FACILITIES MAINTENANCE/INSTALLATION...**prepares the learner to use hand tools and power tools in basic applications of carpentry, plumbing, and basic electricity. CONDITION: 310011 Horticulture Technician or 100014 Sustainable Landscape Horticulture program requirements met

**GREENHOUSE AND NURSERY PRODUCTION...**provides the student with the skills to analyze and implement efficient, cost-effective, and sustainable methods of horticultural production in a variety of structures as well as field scenarios. PREREQUISITES: 10001153 Botany and Soil Science and 10001110 Horticulture-Introduction

**HORTICULTURE INTRODUCTION...**explores plant growth, development, and ecology; plant classification; plant health care; horticultural crops and production; the horticulture industry and related careers; and principles of design and design implementation.

**LANDSCAPE DESIGN STUDIO INTRODUCTION...**provides the learner with strategies to develop a structured approach to designing space. Fundamental components of the landscape design process are covered including basic site analysis, plan development and detailing, landscape graphic conventions, and client interactions.

**LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION 1...**investigates techniques used in landscape construction practices. These include the use of specific landscape tools, plan implementation methods, preliminary site survey methods, proper planting, equipment operations & installations of basic landscape features.

**LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION 2...**builds upon landscape construction methods learned in Introduction to Landscape Installation. Possible projects include mixed material patios, retaining walls, water features, sustainable landscape elements, rain gardens, roof gardens, wooden structures, etc. COREQUISITE: 10001180 Landscape Installation 1

**LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE...**assists learner in identifying appropriate cultural practices and dealing with challenges in the landscape, including pruning techniques, insect/disease/abiotic problems; pesticides; turf issues; and resolving situations in the field. Course will also include production, installation, maintenance, and harvest of edible and ornamental plants. PREREQUISITES: 10001110 Horticulture Introduction and 10001153 Botany and Soil Science

**MATH WITH BUSINESS APPLICATIONS...**covers real numbers, basic operations, linear equations, proportions with one variable, percents, simple interest, compound interest, annuity, apply math concepts to the purchasing/buying process, apply math concepts to the selling process, and basic statistics with business/consumer applications. PREREQUISITE: 10834109 Pre-Algebra or equivalent and COREQUISITE: 10838105 Intro Reading and Study Skills or equivalent or CONDITION: 610061 Agribusiness/ Agronomy Basic program admissions requirements met

**ORAL/INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION...**provides students with the skills to develop speaking, verbal and nonverbal communication, and listening skills through individual speeches, group activities, and other projects. COREQUISITE: 10838105 Intro Reading and Study Skills or equivalent

**PLANTS 1...**introduces ornamental and weedy woody and herbaceous plant identification and culture/management, focusing on plants encountered in landscaping and production in eastern Wisconsin and the Midwest. This is the first course of a two-course series that continues as Plants 2.

**PLANTS 2...**building upon Plants 1, the learner conducts and presents research on ornamental woody and herbaceous plants as well as on edible fruits, vegetables, and herbs. As outdoor conditions improve, emphasis returns to plant identification and culture/management as undertaken in Plants 1. PREREQUISITE: 10001159 Plants 1

**PRINCIPLES OF SUSTAINABILITY...**prepares students to develop sustainable literacy, analyze interconnections among physical and biological sciences and environmental systems, summarize effects of sustainability on health and well-being, analyze connections among social, economic, and environmental systems, employ energy conservation strategies to reduce use of fossil fuels, investigate alternative energy options, evaluate options to current waste disposal/recycling in the U.S., and analyze approaches used by your community. COREQUISITE: 10838105 Intro Reading and Study Skills or equivalent