

## Plant a career in therapeutic horticulture...

**Do you enjoy working with people?**

**Do you want to use your horticultural skills and knowledge to improve the lives of people with physical, emotional, or mental challenges?**

**Would you like to work with children, teens, or the elderly and within hospitals, health agencies, schools, retirement communities, correctional facilities, training centers, and botanical gardens?**

**Does the challenge of designing a garden that can be used by people with disabilities, or can provide a refuge for the ill and their caregivers, appeal to you?**

**Do you want to feel that your work supports and improves the lives of others?**

Oregon State University's Therapeutic Horticulture curriculum integrates courses in horticulture, landscape design and maintenance, psychology, sociology, and health.

We're located in the heart of the beautiful Willamette Valley with Oregon's horticultural bounty at our doorstep. Oregon's lush, productive landscape supports a wide variety of horticultural businesses. Opportunities in Therapeutic Horticulture in Oregon include employment in hospitals, retirement communities, health agencies, schools, training centers, botanical gardens, and correctional facilities.

Prepare for your future in Therapeutic Horticulture at Oregon State University.

**Come grow with us...**



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## Grow with us...

### **Oregon's diverse horticultural therapy offerings are at our doorstep**

Oregon is a leader in the field of Therapeutic Horticulture. Many of the healing gardens located in Oregon are internationally recognized. In addition, programs and facilities providing Horticultural Therapy are widespread and successful throughout the state.

### **Experience Oregon's therapeutic horticulture up-close**

You will get first-hand experience in how to grow plants, design gardens, and provide therapies that are used in Therapeutic Horticulture. Many of our courses include field trips and guest speakers from horticultural operations and Therapeutic Horticulture programs. Your education will include an internship in Therapeutic Horticulture of your choosing.

### **Explore your interests**

You can choose among courses in psychology, sociology, and health. Our program allows you to focus on the areas of Therapeutic Horticulture, and the client populations, that are of the most interest to you. Completion of an OSU degree in Therapeutic Horticulture will make you eligible for registration with the American Horticultural Therapy Association.

### **Our faculty members are world-class experts**

Our faculty members are actively involved in cutting-edge horticultural projects and in designing and providing healing gardens and horticultural therapy programs. Many of your classes will be taken at a facility with an active and widely respected horticultural therapy program.

### **Our students are urban and rural, national and international**

Therapeutic Horticulture students come from all over Oregon, the United States, and many other parts of the world. Some students began their studies at community colleges, others return to school for a new career.

## Learn with us...

### **The Therapeutic Horticulture curriculum includes:**

#### **Horticultural Science and Technology Core**

Introduction Horticulture Systems  
Practices & Careers  
Principles of Horticulture  
Principles of Soil Science  
Plant Propagation  
Plant Nutrition  
Plant Pathology  
Insect Management  
Weed Management  
Plant Physiology  
Introduction to Landscape Design  
Principles & Practices of Landscape Maintenance  
Ecology of Managed Ecosystems  
Floriculture & Greenhouse Systems  
Landscape Construction  
Career Exploration

#### **Horticultural Plants and Crops**

Landscape Plant Materials  
Vegetable Crops  
Herbaceous Ornamental Plant Materials  
Tree Fruits, Berries, Grapes, & Nuts

#### **Social Science**

General Psychology  
Introduction to Sociology  
Health, Aging, & Chronic Disease  
Infant & Child Development  
Adolescent Development  
Adult Development & Aging  
Abnormal Psychology  
Health Psychology  
Special Topics: Stress & Coping  
Health, Illness, & Society  
Sociology of Aging  
Juvenile Delinquency  
Sociology of Drug Use & Abuse

#### **Therapeutic Horticulture**

Introduction to Therapeutic Horticulture  
Techniques & Adaptation Strategies in Therapeutic Horticulture  
Basic Therapeutic Skills I & II  
Therapeutic Horticultural Programs for Older Adults/Children  
Therapeutic Garden Design, Maintenance, & Programming

For additional University and Baccalaureate Core requirements in Skills, Perspectives, and Synthesis, contact the Horticulture Undergraduate Advisor, or refer to the current OSU Catalog.