# **PST-1311: DECIDUOUS WOODY LANDSCAPE PLANTS**

# **Cuyahoga Community College**

# Viewing: PST-1311 : Deciduous Woody Landscape Plants

Board of Trustees: 2014-06-19

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Fall 2021

Subject Code PST - Plant Science/Landscape Tech.

#### Course Number:

1311

Title: Deciduous Woody Landscape Plants

#### **Catalog Description:**

Covers the correct identification, cultural requirements, potential and correct uses of deciduous trees and shrubs in the landscape.

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Credit Hour(s):
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3

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Lecture Hour(s):
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- 2
- Lab Hour(s):

3

# Requisites

## Prerequisite and Corequisite

ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; or departmental approval. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

# Outcomes

#### Course Outcome(s):

A. Use botanical nomenclature according to International Botanical Congress rules.

#### Objective(s):

1. Demonstrate knowledge of deciduous, woody landscape plants through visual inspection and specific characteristics.

#### Course Outcome(s):

B. Demonstrate a working knowledge of basic plant morphology.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Describe stem morphology.
- 2. Describe leaf morphology.
- 3. Describe floral morphology.
- 4. Describe fruit morphology.

#### Course Outcome(s):

C. Select appropriate deciduous trees and shrubs for specific landscape situations.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Analyze climate conditions and predict survivability and health of deciduous, woody landscape plants.
- 2. Identify approximately 25 deciduous trees and shrubs not suitable for use in the landscape profession.
- 3. Identify approximately 200 deciduous trees and shrubs suitable for use in the landscape profession.
- 4. Identify the cultural requirements for the plants learned in class.

#### Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Weekly plant identification quiz
- 2. Weekly quiz on plant characteristics, cultural requirements, and uses
- 3. Individual student project
- 4. Final exam

#### **Course Content Outline:**

- 1. Botanical nomenclature
  - a. Family
  - b. Genus and species
  - c. Cultivar, variety, forma, and subspecies
- 2. Plant morphology
  - a. Stem structure
  - b. Leaf structure
- c. Flowers and fruits
- 3. Presentation of individual plants recommended for landscapes
  - a. Binomial
  - b. Common name
  - c. Identifying characteristics
    - i. Growth habit
    - ii. Leaf and twig
    - iii. Flower and fruit
  - d. Cultural requirements
    - i. Soil type and pH
    - ii. Moisture requirement
    - iii. Light requirement
  - e. Plant uses in landscape
- 4. Presentation of individual plants NOT recommended for landscapes
- a. Binomial
  - b. Common name
  - c. Identifying characteristics
    - i. Growth habit
    - ii. Leaf and twig
    - iii. Flower and fruit
  - d. Cultural requirements
    - i. Soil type and pH
    - ii. Moisture requirement
    - iii. Light requirement
  - e. Why not recommended
- 5. Recommending plants for a specific landscape situation
  - a. Soil analysis
  - b. Drainage analysis
  - c. Location of planting bed
  - d. Light exposure

## Resources

Hower, Fred Alison Beck. Tree Shrub Gardening for Ohio. First. Lone Pine Publishing, Auburn, WA, 2004.

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Dirr, Michael. Manual of Woody Landscape Plants: Their Identification, Ornamental Characteristics, Culture, Propagation and Uses. 6th ed. Stipes Publishing, Champaign, IL, 2009.

Dunnett, Nigel Andy Clayden. Rain Gardens: Managing Water Sustainably in the Garden and Designed Landscape. First Edition. Portland, OR; Timber Press, 2007.

Gregory, Peter J.D. Vertrees. Japanese Maples: The Complete Guide to Selection and Cultivation. 4th Edition. Portland, OR; timber Press, 2010.

Dirr, Michael. Viburnums: Flowering Shrubs for Every Season. First Edition. Portland, OR; Timber Press, 2007.

#### **Resources Other**

1. Oregon State University Landscape Plant web site - http://oregonstate.edu/dept/ldplants/

2. University of Connecticut Landscape Plant web site - http://www.hort.uconn.edu/plants/

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