Expanded Course Description for 11:015:432:01

Colloquium: People-Plant Relationships
(3.0 credits)

Normally Offered: Choose an item. every year. By Prof. Joel Flagler.

Pre-requisites and other registration restrictions:
none

Format: One 3-hour meeting

Description:
Present 5 aspects of Human Issues in Horticulture and interpret the impact of plants and natural settings on human physiology and behavior. Students learn about plants and their values in different man-made settings such as offices, airports, hospitals, prisons, community gardens and more. Research and implementation is emphasized.

Learning Goals:
• Learn the 4 key aspects of People-Plant Relationships
• Understand the impact of plants on our lives
• Recognize potentials for using plants and gardens in human healing & rehabilitation
• Develop ideas for conducting research in social horticulture and securing funding for programs

Measures of Assessment:
• Exams are held every 4 weeks to measure attainment of new knowledge
• Workteam assignments at each class motivate exchange of ideas
• Semester project done by team and also by individual, allows for expression of new understanding and incorporation of new information.

Course Website:
www.aesop.rutgers.edu/~horttherapy

Required and Recommended Course materials:
Text: People-Plant Relationships

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Policies for Exams, Assignments, Attendance, and Grading

1st Hourly Exam  15%
Midterm Exam    20%
Final Exam      25%
Semester Project 25%

Attendance & Participation  15%

Other Information:
This colloquium encourages collaboration. Students work in teams to exchange ideas and develop strategies for improving quality of life for individuals & communities, using plants and natural settings.