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# NEWSLETTER SEMESTER TWO 2018

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# Study your Diploma in Horticulture in the Bay of Plenty

This newsletter is to let you know what is happening for Semester Two of 2018 and what's coming up in Semester One of 2019 to encourage you, or those you influence, to enrol for the Lincoln papers early. Classes for Semester Two start in Te Puke on Tuesday 17 July 2018.

Please let us know what papers you intend to enrol in for Semester Two by phoning 07 928 5350, or emailing Wendy Bradley (<u>wendybradley@fruition.net.nz</u>). For enrolment and reenrolment forms please contact Wendy.

#### Papers Offered - Semester Two 2018 and Semester One 2019

Tauranga	First Year Papers	Date/Time	Venue
Semester 2 2018	MGMT 027R -	Tues 17 July	Fruition's Training Venue,
	Horticultural	4.30 – 6.20 pm	Upstairs at 2 Palmer
	Management Systems		Place (off Jellicoe Street),
	B (15 credits)		Te Puke.
	ENGR 023R –	Tues 17 July	As above.
	Engineering (15	6.30 – 8.20 pm	
	credits)		
Semester 1 2019	SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management (15 credits)	Tues 22 Jan 2019	As above.
	COMP 021R -	Tues 22 Jan	As above.
	Computing and	2019	
	Communications (15		
	credits)		

#### MGMT 027R - Horticultural Management Systems B

An introduction to the principles of financial management in horticulture, including investment analysis, land purchase, debt servicing and accounting. Includes the study of horticultural production and management systems and a series of field case studies of selected horticultural enterprise systems. Much of the teaching is focused around three field trips looking at various horticultural enterprises. When we have a field trip we will undertake to do this on the afternoon of the class day (i.e. on a Tuesday) and we will not hold a class that evening.

#### ENGR 023R - Engineering

This paper is a 'catch all' for a wide range of topics. It includes horticultural structures, materials, building technology, water technology, land information systems and surveying, machines and electricity, engineering impacts and hazards.

#### Free fees

If this is the first time you are doing tertiary study, you could be eligible for fees-free study. Wendy can email further details to you if you think you are eligible or check it out at <a href="https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/">https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/</a>

# Credit for National Certificate in Horticulture (NCH) (L4) Units (recognition for prior learning)

Lincoln University and the Primary ITO have an agreement that allows for the transfer of credits gained as unit standards for some Lincoln University Diploma papers and vice versa. If you have been training at a Polytech or in the industry for the NCH (L4), or you have completed a qualification at a NZ University send a copy of your Record of Learning to Lincoln University and you may get a pleasant surprise. Contact Lana Williams, email lana.williams@lincoln.ac.nz or phone 03 423 0098. Please note Lincoln's website states that a fee of \$75 including GST will be charged for each cross credit sought. The earlier you start the process the better, we suggest you do this now if it is applicable to you as it may mean one less paper is required for you to complete the Diploma.

#### Scholarships

There are many Lincoln University Scholarships available for Diploma in Horticulture students, especially for students new to Lincoln, <u>http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Scholarships/</u>. Also Horticulture NZ offer Industry Trainee Scholarships and we have had a number of recent students successful – these are offered annually so check out the Horticulture NZ web page <u>http://www.hortnz.co.nz/our-work/people/</u>

#### Fees, loans and allowances

Course fees for the papers on offer for 2018 are \$860 per paper including GST plus an additional annual student services levy of \$60 (incl GST). The course fee is payable at the time of enrolment to confirm your place on the course. If your employer is paying include an address on your enrolment form so Lincoln can send the invoice directly to your employer.

If interested in payment options and all fees chargeable, <u>http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Whats-it-going-to-cost/Fees-Tuition/</u>

For loans and allowances <u>http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Whats-it-going-to-cost/Financial-Assistance/</u>

#### **Graduation April 2018**

Wendy had the pleasure of attending the Lincoln University graduation ceremony at Lincoln recently as a member of staff to support two of our students who were presented with their Diploma in Horticulture in person. Congrats to Natalie Taufa who gained Distinction and Levi Smith. Also awarded their Diploma's 'in absentia' were Tammy Hill and Jacob McBride.



Levi, Wendy and Natalie

#### **Evaluation feedback**

At the completion of each semester we seek feedback in the form of evaluations of the tutors and the courses. We value this feedback and where we can we take it on board and do our utmost to improve what we need to and continue to deliver what we are doing well. In relation to our latest semester papers the things we can work on and help to improve are:

- Ensuring we do a recap of each week's material prior to delivering new material for that week.
- Generally students felt there was an overload of information and too much content and terminology in the courses. Your tutors will do their best to help simplify terminology yet it is difficult to reduce content or information. Where possible they will guide you on the importance of the content and information provided.

#### **Practical Work**

To complete your Diploma in Horticulture you need to complete a practical work report. If you wish to graduate in April 2019 you need to have your practical work report into Lincoln by 1 February 2019. For assistance and details on this report contact Barbara Nicholson, email <u>barbara.nicholson@lincoln.ac.nz</u>. Fruition Horticulture (BOP) also have some information that may be helpful to you when it comes to preparing the report. Contact <u>wendybradley@fruition.net.nz</u>

# **Course outcomes**

Recently in preparation for our external review with the New Zealand Qualifications Authority, Fruition Horticulture (BOP) Ltd had to prepare some data on our Lincoln programme. You may be interested in the results of this which follows:

Outcomes - what is being achieved and the value for learners, employers and the wider community (in relation to the Lincoln University Diploma in Horticulture provided off campus in Nelson and Tauranga).

• Course pass rates for each paper delivered by Fruition horticulture exceeds the pass rates on campus in Lincoln as shown in the tables below.

	NEL	TAU
BIOS 22R	100%	100%
COMP 21R	100%	100%
ENGN 23R	100%	100%
HORT 22R	100%	100%
MGMT 26R	100%	100%
MGMT 27R	100%	89%
PLSC 21R	100%	100%
SOSC 21R	100%	100%

Course Pass Rates - Regionally

# Course Pass Rates - Main Campus

BIOS 22	80%
COMP 21	88%
ENGN 23	76%
HORT 22	79%
MGMT 26	84%
MGMT 27	81%
PLSC 21	78%
SOSC 21	82%

#### Other Training

Fruition Horticulture offers several other training programmes. Do talk to us if you are interested in our Health & Safety in the Workplace, Effective Supervision refresher, Foundation Learning programme or training designed specifically for your workplace. Visit our webpage <a href="http://www.fruition.net.nz/we-offer/training/">http://www.fruition.net.nz/we-offer/training/</a>

### Keeping in touch – Facebook

Please join our Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/FruitionHort</u> another mode of communication for keeping up to date.



#### Cleansing our Database

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please let us know by emailing <u>admin@fruition.net.nz</u>.

- Mark Tuesday 17 July 2018 in your diary now!
- Contact Wendy for an enrolment or reenrolment form and get this into Lincoln ASAP