

## NEWSLETTER SEMESTER 1, 2017

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### Study your Diploma in Horticulture in the Bay of Plenty

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of what is happening for Semester One and Two of 2017 to assist with your planning and encourage you, or those you influence, to enrol for the Lincoln papers early. **Classes for Semester One start in Tauranga on Tuesday 17 January 2017.**

Please let us know what papers you intend to enrol in for Semester One by phoning 07 928 5350, or emailing Wendy Bradley ([wendybradley@fruition.net.nz](mailto:wendybradley@fruition.net.nz)) here at Fruition. In addition to making contact with us please also send your completed enrolment form (if you are a new student) or re-enrolment form (both forms can be requested from Wendy via email) to Lincoln University as soon as possible.

#### Papers Offered - Semester One & Semester Two 2017

First Year Papers	Tauranga region
Semester 1 2017	COMP 021R – Computing and Communications (15 credits) SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management (15 credits)
Semester 2 2017	PLSC 021R – Plant Studies (15 credits) BIOS 022R – Plant Health (15 credits)

Further details of the contents of the Semester One papers follow:

#### **COMP 021R – Computing and Communications**

This paper has been revised to reflect the growing use of computing in horticulture and the increased skill levels required just to be in the business. The focus is on laboratory work in front of a computer for the first six modules and some communications theory and practice for the remaining six modules.

#### **SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management**

An introduction to the nature and properties of soils. Often the soil is forgotten when considering plant husbandry but an understanding of the biological, chemical and physical nature of the soils you are working with will enable you to be a better horticulturalist.

## Class Times and Venues (Semester One)

Please note that our first semester papers will begin in January and be taught for a continuous 12 weeks with exams late April.

<b>Tuesday evenings</b> (from 17 January 2017)	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
COMP 021R – Computing and Communications	4.30 – 6.20 pm	TBC – Computing classes (of which there are 6) to be held at Fruition's Training Venue, Upstairs at 2 Palmer Place (off Jellicoe Street), Te Puke. Depending on numbers all classes may be held here.
SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management	6.30 – 8.20 pm	TBC – Likely to be Te Puke as above especially during the six weeks of the computing modules.

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

Lincoln University and the Primary Industry Training Organisation 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), send a copy of your Record of Learning to Lincoln University and you may get a pleasant surprise. In Lana Williams absence contact Hilary Cline at Lincoln regarding this process. Phone Hilary on 03 423 0098 or email her [hilary.cline@lincoln.ac.nz](mailto:hilary.cline@lincoln.ac.nz). 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.**

## Scholarships

Check out the link below as there are many Lincoln University Scholarships available for Diploma in Horticulture students, especially for students new to Lincoln. <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Scholarships/>

## Fees, loans and allowances

Course fees for the papers on offer for 2017 are \$828 per paper including GST (except for Computing & Communication which is \$773) plus an additional annual student services levy of \$60. 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. Should you be interested in payment options and all fees chargeable, check out the following link <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Whats-it-going-to-cost/Fees-Tuition/>

And for more information on loans and allowances follow this link <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Lincoln-Home/Apply/Whats-it-going-to-cost/Financial-Assistance/>

## **Keeping in touch – Facebook**

Please join our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/FruitionHort> another mode of communication for keeping up to date and for discussion with other students and tutors.

## **Registrations**

Please ensure that you get your registrations to Lincoln University well before the start of Semester One 2017, by early to mid-December. We institute a policy of no registration – no resources. Lincoln will also recognise this by ensuring that the resources are available on time for those of you who have enrolled prior to the start date of the classes.

## **Practical Work**

To complete your Diploma in Horticulture you need to complete practical work. To find out what you need to do, contact Barbara Nicholson at Lincoln University, her email is [barbara.nicholson@lincoln.ac.nz](mailto:barbara.nicholson@lincoln.ac.nz)

## **Other Training**

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

## **Cleansing our Database**

If you no longer wish to receive this information please let us know by emailing [admin@fruition.net.nz](mailto:admin@fruition.net.nz). Your assistance with this would be greatly appreciated.

- **Mark Tuesday 17 January 2017 in your diary now!**
- **Contact Wendy for enrolment forms now!**