

Newsletter Semester One 2020

December 2019

Study your Diploma in Horticulture in the Bay of Plenty

Key points to note for Semester One:

- Classes start on Tuesday 14 January 2020.
- Papers offered are Horticultural Management Systems A and Propagation and Nursery.

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). For enrolment and re-enrolment forms please contact Wendy.

Papers Offered - Semester One and Semester Two 2020

Tauranga	First Year Papers	Date/Time	Venue
Semester 1 2020	MGMT 026R – Horticultural Management Systems A (15 credits)	Tues 14 Jan 2020 (TBC) 4.30 – 6.20pm	Fruition Horticulture (BOP) Ltd Boardroom, 150 The Strand Extension, Tauranga
	HORT 022R – Propagation and Nursery (15 credits)	Tues 14 Jan 2020 (TBC) 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.
Semester 2 2020	ENGN 023R – Engineering (15 credits)	Tues 14 July 2020 (TBC) 4.30 – 6.20pm	As above.
	MGMT 027R - Horticultural Management Systems B (15 credits)	Tues 14 July 2020 (TBC) 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.

Further details of the contents of the Semester One 2020 papers follows:

MGMT 026R Horticultural Management Systems A

This paper is an introduction to the principles of commercial management, production economics and enterprise budgeting across a range of horticultural management systems. The paper allows the students to identify the major components in different horticultural systems and the relationships between them. Much of the teaching focuses around field trips looking at various horticultural enterprises.

Tutor = Bryce Morrison

HORT 022R Propagation and Nursery

This paper provides insight into the principles and practices of plant propagation and container plant growing. Students are provided with some opportunity to experience various propagation methods along with gaining an insight into the theory behind these methods. There are field trips for this paper which enhances the reality of the theory covered.

Tutor = Wendy Bradley

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 <https://www.feesfree.govt.nz/>

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 lane.williams@lincoln.ac.nz or phone 03 423 0098. **We suggest you do this now if it is applicable to you as it may mean one less paper to study to complete the Diploma.**

Scholarships

There are many Lincoln University Scholarships available for Diploma in Horticulture students, especially for students new to Lincoln, <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Apply/Scholarships/>. 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 <http://www.hortnz.co.nz/our-work/people/horticulture-scholarships/>

Fees, loans and allowances

Course fees for the papers on offer for Semester 1, 2020 are priced from \$885 per paper including GST plus an additional annual student services levy of \$65 (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, <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/apply/whats-it-going-to-cost/fees-tuition/off-campus-programme-fees/>

For loans and allowances <http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/Apply/whats-it-going-to-cost/whats-it-going-to-cost/?sti=1>

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. In relation to our latest semester papers (Plant Health & Plant Studies) the things we can work on and help to improve are:

Plant Health:

- The students provided several positive responses as to what improved their learning with two students indicating that the limited time each week was an obstacle. The tutor intends to address this by focusing more on the key concepts needed to be learnt each week with future papers being delivered rather than trying to cover all the course material for each module. This will require students to do more out of class review of module material.

Plant Studies:

- The students provide four positive responses that helped improve their learning, relating to the real world, well organised, encouragement and professionalism. The only identified obstacle to the students learning was the need for more practical activities. All tutors endeavour to ensure learning is a mix of practical and theory to cater for all learning styles and challenge themselves to find different and better ways to achieve this. A work in progress area for all the tutors.

Practical Work

To complete your Diploma in Horticulture you need to complete a practical work report. You do not need to consider completing this report until you are near completion of all eight Diploma papers. For assistance and details on this report contact Barbara Nicholson, email barbara.nicholson@lincoln.ac.nz. Fruition Horticulture (BOP) also have some information that may be helpful to you when it comes to preparing the report. Contact wendybradley@fruition.net.nz

Keeping in touch – Facebook

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

Nelson to offer the Diploma study in 2020

After a break from offering the Diploma in Horticulture study as a regional programme, Nelson is to restart delivery in mid-January 2020. The papers on offer in Nelson are:

Semester 1, 2020	HORT 022R – Propagation and Nursery (15 credits)
	COMP 021R – Computing and Communication (15 credits)
Semester 2, 2020	BIOS 022R – Plant Health (15 credits)
	ENGR 023R – Engineering (15 credits)

If you know of anyone in this region who might be keen to study the Lincoln University Level 5 Diploma in Horticulture please have them contact GregDryden@fruition.net.nz phone 03 547 3959.

Level 6 – Fruition Diploma in Horticulture Production

Do you want to extend your skills and knowledge in horticulture or have a qualification that adds a horticultural lens to your existing qualification? We have completed our consultation phase and are about to hit send on our Programme Approval for our level 6 programme. The programme will be broken into 6 x 20 credit papers taught over 2 years and we propose to begin delivery in June 2020.

Graduates of this qualification will be able to:

- Critically analyse data to determine production and performance trends
- Critically analyse products or technologies that contribute to business outcomes
- Research, design, and manage ongoing strategies for continuous improvement of horticulture production or technologies

The graduate outcomes as specified in the programme will form the basis of the six papers being offered by Fruition Horticulture. These papers could be offered as standalone Short Credit Programmes or as a part of the full qualification. The papers will cover the following topics: Horticultural Production Systems, Horticultural Business Strategy and Structures, Technology in Horticulture, Research Design, Postharvest Technology, and Continuous Improvement.

To register your interest in this programme please email info@fruition.ac.nz

Cleansing our Database

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

Merry Christmas

We wish you a fabulous Christmas and a very Happy New Year in 2020.

- **Mark Tuesday 14 January 2020 in your diary now!**
- **Contact Wendy for an enrolment or re-enrolment form for the Level 5 Diploma in Horticulture and get this into Lincoln ASAP**