

Newsletter Semester Two 2020

June 2020

Study your Diploma in Horticulture in the Bay of Plenty

Key points to note

- Results for Semester 1 papers available online from Wednesday 8 July 2020.
- Semester 2 classes start on Tuesday 14 July 2020.
- Semester 2 papers offered are Engineering & Horticultural Management Systems B

Please let us know what papers you intend to enrol in for Semester Two by emailing Wendy Bradley (wendybradley@fruition.net.nz) or phone 07 928 5350. For enrolment and re-enrolment forms please contact Wendy.

Papers Offered - Semester Two 2020 and Semester One 2021

Tauranga	First Year Papers	Date/Time	Venue
Semester 2 2020	ENGN 023R – Engineering (15 credits)	Tues 14 July 2020 4.30 – 6.20pm	Fruition Horticulture (BOP) Ltd Boardroom, 150 The Strand Extension, Tauranga
	MGMT 027R - Horticultural Management Systems B (15 credits)	Tues 14 July 2020 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.
Semester 1 2021	SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management (15 credits)	Tues 12 or 19 Jan 2021 (TBC) 4.30 – 6.20pm	As above.
	COMP 021R – Computing and Communications (15 credits)	Tues 12 or 19 Jan 2021 (TBC) 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.

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

ENGN 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.

Tutor = Bryce Morrison

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.

Tutor = Wendy Bradley



Our Diploma students on their visit to Hamilton Gardens – for a combined field trip for the Propagation and Nursery and Horticultural Management Systems papers in March 2020

Free fees

If this is the first time you are doing tertiary study, you could be eligible for fees-free study. 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 лана.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 2, 2020 are \$935 & \$894 per paper including GST for Engineering and Horticultural Management Systems respectively 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 and thank those who complete it. The responses are now able to be completely anonymous with students emailed forms to complete and email direct to Lincoln. In relation to our latest semester papers (Horticultural Management Systems A and Propagation and Nursery) the things we can work on and help to improve are:

Horticultural Management Systems A:

- The students found the tutor to be very helpful and liked the mix of resources available, group tasks and field trips. The tutor will endeavour to use groups and interactive activities in class. The main obstacle to learning was Covid 19. Students and tutors had to adapt quickly and to ensure online learning is workable. Tutors should not assume all learners can continue to learn from home and have the technology and space to do so.

Propagation and Nursery:

- The practical aspects of the course and learning were liked – as tutors where we can have interactive activities for the learning we will aim to do so. Students also liked to have access to Lincoln’s Moodle site and the lecturer’s notes – tutors will continue to encourage the use of the site for all papers. The main obstacle was Covid 19. The issue of the delay in receiving marks was noted – Covid in this case was not helpful. We will continue to work on trying to ensure the delays in this process can be reduced.

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 on Tuesday 21 July 2020. The papers on offer in Nelson are:

BIOS 022R – Plant Health (15 credits) 3 – 5pm Tuesdays

ENGR 023R – Engineering (15 credits) 3 – 5pm Thursdays

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 as soon as we get our approval from NZQA. This may be later this year or early next.

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 wendybradley@fruition.net.nz

Cleansing our Database

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

- **Mark Tuesday 14 July 2020 in your diary now!**
- **Contact Wendy for an enrolment or re-enrolment form (wendybradley@fruition.net.nz) for the Level 5 Diploma in Horticulture and get this into Lincoln ASAP**
- **Email wendybradley@fruition.net.nz to register your interest in the Level 6 Diploma in Horticulture Management**