

Newsletter Semester One 2021

November 2020

Study your Diploma in Horticulture in the Bay of Plenty

Key points to note

- Results for Semester 2 papers available online from **Wednesday 18 November 2020**.
- Semester 1 classes start on **Tuesday 19 January 2021**.
- Semester 1 papers offered are **Computing & Communications & Soils & Soil Management**.
- **Fees continue to be free** for the Diploma study until 31 December 2022.

Please let us know what papers you intend to enrol in for Semester One by emailing Wendy Bradley (wendybradley@fruition.net.nz) or phone 07 928 5350. If enrolling for the first time follow this link on the Lincoln University webpage

https://mylinc.nz/login/mylinc/signin.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f_layouts%2f15%2fAuthenticate.aspx%3fSource%3d%252F&Source=%2F. If re-enrolling contact Wendy for the re-enrolment form.

Papers Offered - Semesters One & Two 2021

Tauranga	First Year Papers	Date/Time	Venue
Semester 1 2021	COMP 021R – Computing and Communications (15 credits)	Tues 19 Jan 2021 – 4.30 – 6.20pm	Fruition’s Training Venue, Upstairs at 2 Palmer Place (off Jellicoe Street), Te Puke.
	SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management (15 credits)	Tues 19 Jan 2021 – 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.
Semester 2 2021	BIOS 022R – Plant Health (15 credits)	Tues 20 July 2021 – 4.30 – 6.20pm	As above.
	PLSC 021R – Plant Studies (15 credits)	Tues 20 July 2021 – 6.30 – 8.20pm	As above.

Further details of the contents of the Semester One 2021 papers follows:

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 with a mix of communications theory and practice.

Tutor = Sandy Scarrow

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.

Tutor = Bryce Morrison



Our Diploma students on their visit to vegetable production units – for a combined field trip for the Engineering and Horticultural Management Systems papers in September 2020

Free fees

Lincoln University currently offer **free fees to domestic students** for three of its sub-degree programmes which includes the **Diploma in Horticulture** from **July 2020 until December 2022**. This is due to the Government's Targeted Training and Apprenticeship Fund. An even better time to study the Diploma in Horticulture as you won't pay anything if you complete the study in the two years (which is possible when studying 2 papers per semester).

Fees, loans, and allowances

Currently there are no course fees for the Diploma in Horticulture study.

Scholarships

Whilst fees are free to assist you with other study related expenses there are many Lincoln University Scholarships available the following link provides details of scholarships specifically available for those studying the Diploma in Horticulture

<https://www.lincoln.ac.nz/study/Qualifications/Qualification/?QualCode=d.horticulture>.

Horticulture NZ also offer an Industry Trainee Scholarship and a number of recent Tauranga based students have been successful with this scholarship – these are offered annually so check out the Horticulture NZ web page <http://www.hortnz.co.nz/our-work/people/horticulture-scholarships/>

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 ana.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.**

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 completely anonymous. In relation to our latest semester papers (Horticultural Management Systems B and Engineering) the tutor feedback has been summarised below:

Horticultural Management Systems B:

The students found the tutor to have empathy, is friendly and resource emails were helpful as were field trips. The students liked the use of real-life examples and the consistency provided in the weekly recaps. The obstacles to learning were online learning for some – as tutors we will do our best to guide you in the use of the Lincoln “Learn” site and be more aware that this and online learning in general may be an issue for some. As tutors we will work to ensure we use technology well and include more online tools like Kahoot quizzes etc to mix up the learning and where possible include any practical learning to our delivery.

Engineering:

The students liked how the tutor found ways to make the learning interesting and simplified in-depth explanations backed up with real life examples. The tutor encouraged questions and provided individual help and were available for questions. Obstacles to learning were the fact a lot of the learning was online; the course material wasn't relevant to horticulture and a lot of abbreviated and American terms were used.

As tutors we need to be aware of such terminology especially when we have students for who English is their second language and where possible introduce practical learning into the weekly sessions.

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 Diploma study in 2021

The Lincoln University Diploma in Horticulture study is also available as a regional programme in Nelson. The papers on offer in semester 1, 2021 are:

SOSC 021R – Soils and Soil Management (15 credits) 3 – 5pm Thursdays starting 7 January 2021

MGMT 026R – Horticultural Management Systems A (15 credits) 3 – 5pm Tuesdays starting 12 January 2021

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 or MikeNelson@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 will be offering a **Fruition Diploma in Production Horticulture (Level 6) starting on Wednesday 20 January 2021**. The programme will be broken into 6 x 20 credit papers taught over 2 years. Programme details including graduate outcomes and the six papers offered can be sourced from <https://fruition.ac.nz/programmes/level-6>

To enrol online please complete the form provided in this link: <https://fruition.ac.nz/enrol-level-6>

Cleansing our Database

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- **Mark Tuesday 19 January 2021 in your diary now for the L5 Diploma in Horticulture semester 1 start date**
- **Contact Wendy for a re-enrolment form (wendybradley@fruition.net.nz) or enrolling for first time follow this link [https://mylinc.nz/login/mylinc/signin.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f Layouts%2f15%2fAuthenticate.aspx%3fSource%3d%252F&Source=%2F](https://mylinc.nz/login/mylinc/signin.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f%2fLayouts%2f15%2fAuthenticate.aspx%3fSource%3d%252F&Source=%2F), for the Level 5 Diploma in Horticulture and get either of these into Lincoln ASAP**
- **Mark Wednesday 20 January 2021 in your diary for the L6 Fruition Diploma in Horticulture Production start date and click on this link to enrol <https://fruition.ac.nz/enrol-level-6>**