Program Description

(G): 361

This program provides the student with a comprehensive mixture of academic and practical training in the field of environmental horticulture. The flexible curriculum can accommodate career interests in either landscape contracting or design. Students will learn to design and draft landscape plans; install, construct, and maintain landscapes; and identify, select, and plant woody and herbaceous plants.

Career opportunities include positions as landscape supervisors, nursery managers, landscape contractors, and landscape designers. This program will also serve to expand the knowledge and skills of persons already working in the profession and give the student enough knowledge and experience to establish a private landscape, grounds maintenance, nursery, or greenhouse business.

Courses include general education requirements, those necessary for acquiring landscaping fundamentals, and those that reinforce the student’s area of interest in landscape contracting or landscape design. This program is approved by the Landscape Contractors Association.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, a student will be able to:

• Design, draft, and implement landscape plans.
• Install, construct, and maintain landscapes.
• Identify common plants in Maryland landscapes.
• Identify, communicate, and solve common problems in the landscape or in production.

Program Advisors

Rockville

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For more information, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/academics/programs/environmental-horticulture-sustainable-agribusiness/environmental-horticulture-sustainable-agribusiness-aas-degree.html

To view the Advising Worksheet, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/_documents/counseling-and-advising/advising-worksheets/current-catalog/361.pdf
Suggested Course Sequence

A suggested course sequence for full-time students follows. All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

First Semester
ENGL 101 - Introduction to College Writing 3 semester hours *

Mathematics Foundation 3 semester hours (MATF)
BIOL 101 - General Biology 4 semester hours (NSLD)

OR
HORT 100 - Introduction to Plant Sciences 4 semester hours (NSLD)
HORT 105 - Introduction to Sustainable Landscaping 2 semester hours
HORT 253 - Plant Materials I 3 semester hours

Third Semester
BSAD 101 - Introduction to Business 3 semester hours

OR
MGMT 101 - Principles of Management 3 semester hours
COMM 108 - Foundations of Human Communication 3 semester hours (GEEL)

OR
COMM 112 - Business and Professional Speech Communication 3 semester hours (GEEL)

Arts or Humanities Distribution 3 semester hours (ARTD or HUMD)

HORT Elective 3 semester hours ‡

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Fourth Semester
HORT 258 - Sustainable Landscape Management 3 semester hours
HORT 280 - Landscape Technology Internship 2 semester hours

Behavioral and Social Sciences Distribution 3 semester hours (BSSD)

HORT Elective (200 Level) 3 semester hours ‡

HORT or Elective 3 semester hours ‡

HORT Elective 1 semester hour ‡

Total Credit Hours: 60

* ENGL 101/ENGL 101A, if needed for ENGL 102/ENGL 103, or elective.

** Environmental horticulture and sustainable agribusiness courses are listed as LNTP in the catalog and course schedule until fall 2022. After fall 2022, they are listed as HORT.

‡ Please consult an environmental horticulture and sustainable agribusiness advisor to choose HORT electives.
Transfer Opportunities
Montgomery College has partnerships with multiple four-year institutions and the tools to help you transfer. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/transfer or http://artsys.usmd.edu.

Get Involved at MC!
Employers and Transfer Institutions are looking for experience outside the classroom.

MC Student Clubs and Organizations: https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/life-at-mc/student-life/

Related Careers
Some require a Bachelor’s degree.
Landscape Architect, Nursery and Greenhouse Manager, Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers, Tree Trimmer and Pruner, Nursery Worker.

Career Services
Montgomery College offers a range of services to students and alumni to support the career planning process. To learn more, please visit https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/career

Career Coach
A valuable online search tool that will give you the opportunity to explore hundreds of potential careers or job possibilities in Maryland and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. Get started today on your road to a new future and give it a try. For more information, please visit https://montgomerycollege.emsicc.com

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