

WHY CHOOSE THIS CAREER PATHWAY?

Plant the seeds of a new career by enrolling at Cuyamaca College's Ornamental Horticulture program and watch your future bloom. Ornamental Horticulture has the lead role in making our environment vibrant, attractive and sustainable. Career opportunities are abundant for people who have the skills to grow and care for plants, shrubs and trees in floral shops, garden centers, parks, golf courses, and landscapes.

If working outdoors and making the world more beautiful are your passions, the green industry has a career for you. Cuyamaca College's comprehensive Ornamental Horticulture program includes designing irrigation systems, creating new plants, and controlling plant diseases and pests. We work closely with industry leaders in the region to provide our students with unparalleled networking opportunities.



ABOUT CAREER EDUCATION

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District offers scores of career education programs in a wide variety of areas such as automotive technology, child development, web design, and more. Classes are just \$46 per unit, and many programs may be completed in as little as a year.

Projections through 2025 indicate a need for 1.5 million workers with some postsecondary education (but less than a bachelor's degree). Career education is vital to bridging this gap because it provides a pathway to good-paying jobs and supplies the hands-on, practical training employers demand.

So what are you waiting for?
To learn more about Career Education programs at Cuyamaca College, visit cuyamaca.edu/career-education.

QUESTIONS?

Contact us to learn more about the Ornamental Horticulture Program at Cuyamaca College.



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ABOUT ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE

Cuyamaca College's Ornamental Horticulture program is known nationally as an industry leader. Students who complete one or more of our degrees, entering either as novices or as seasoned workers looking to upgrade their skills, have their choice of careers in urban forestry and tree care, greenhouse management, landscape design and construction, grounds management, retail nursery operations, irrigation systems design, sustainable urban landscapes, landscape water management, golf and sports turf management, and other related fields.

Once you settle into your career, remember to access your opportunities for advancement. Alumni are always welcome to return to hone their skill sets.

AVAILABLE CAREER PATHS IN THIS PATHWAY

- Floral Designer
- Flower Shop Manager
- Landscape Designer
- Landscape Construction
- Landscape Maintenance
- Nursery/Garden Center Manager
- Sports Field Manager
- Grounds Maintenance Supervisor
- Golf Course Superintendent
- Irrigation Consultant
- Turf Manager
- Urban Forester
- Plant Propagation and Production



DEGREES & CERTIFICATES IN ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE

Associate in Science and Certificates of Achievement

- Arboriculture
- Floral Design
- Golf Course and Sports Turf Management
- Irrigation Technology
- Landscape Design
- Landscape Technology
- Nursery Technology
- Sustainable Urban Landscapes

Certificates are also offered in Basic Ornamental Horticulture and Viticulture Technician Apprenticeship.

WHAT YOU CAN EARN

Wages in this industry vary widely according to the position. Landscaping and groundskeeping workers, for example, earn an average wage of \$30,220 annually in San Diego County, according to the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics. The average yearly wage for floral designers in the region is \$33,510. Pesticide handlers, sprayers and applicators receive about \$46,600 yearly. Landscape architects, who typically need a bachelor's degree, annually earn an average of more than \$95,000 in our county.



HOW TO APPLY AND ENROLL

- Find class schedules and links to apply at gcccd.edu/now
- Log into **WebAdvisor** and register for classes
- Pay fees and **attend your classes!**

WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING

"The Ornamental Horticulture program at Cuyamaca College is excellent because of the high-quality instruction by teachers who work in the area they teach. The program includes many hands-on labs that solidified the concepts and prepared me for my career path in environmental restoration and my job as a habitat maintenance worker for the Sweetwater Authority." -Amy Huie

