

**Course Syllabus**

**Course number & name:** EH 383-52419

HOME FOOD PRODUCTION

**Instructor Information:**

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**Class meets:**

Thursday 9:00 to 11:50 A.M. Lecture/Lab      Mostly in the Garden or LSH 3 or Green House

**Holidays:** Observed as per the State Center Community College District Schedule (03/28/24)

**Final Exam date:**

Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 8:00 A.M.

**Course Objectives:**

The planting, growing, harvesting, and processing methods for various food crops including fruit trees, berry vines, perennial and annual edible plants in the landscape.

**Text & other materials:**

Recommended: New Sunset Western Garden Book, Editors of Sunset

A Gardener's Companion, Master Gardeners of Fresno County

**Prerequisites:**

None

**Units:** 0 \*(credit/no credit)

Grades: Y=Pass N=No Pass

**Grading policies and evaluation criteria:**

This is a no credit class. This is a Positive Attendance Class.

Class attendance and participation

Individual garden work and participation

Field trip attendance or alternate projects

Examinations - Skill demonstration and recall from class projects in soil preparations, planting, irrigation practices, & harvesting and preservation methods.

**Attendance policy:** required 3 lab hours averaged per week and lab hours turned in weekly. For lecture sessions missed the student will get notes from the instructor or another student, all materials and information is the responsibility of the student. Four assignments due each semester either written or in class participation.

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Course Outline:

Jan	11	Pruning, Winter Clean Up, To Do List,
	18	Rose and Hardwood Cuttings.
	25	Birthdays and Common Area Projects.
Feb	1	Fertilization: Garden, Shrubs, and Lawns. Pre-emerge.
	8	Cut Back and Divide Perennials.
	15	Artificial Light, Bottom Heat, Cold Frames.
	22	Start Seeds in Green House or Window.
	29	Birthdays and Common Area Projects.
Mar	7	Crop Rotation.
	14	Plant Summer Vegetables.
	21	Birthdays and Common Area Projects.
	28	Spring Break.
Apr	4	Edible Flowers, Plant Okra, Irrigation.
	11	Spring Assignments.
	18	Solarizing.
	25	Birthdays and Common Area Projects.
May	2	Pruning Evergreens.
	9	Insects and Beneficials.
	16	Finals.

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**Course student learning outcome:**

- 1: Choose, plant, and maintain various perennial food crops used in the home garden.
- 2: Correctly layout a garden utilizing environmental factors, plant identification, and variety selection.
- 3: Design and install irrigation systems to water vegetable, fruit, and vine crops in the home orchard.
- 4: Properly harvest and process various fruits and vegetables utilizing methods including freezing, dehydrating and canning.

**Cancelled class notification:**

Notices will be posted on the classroom door of LSH 3 or a substitute found.

**Behavioral standards and guests:**

All students will behave in a responsible manner. Cell phones to be turned off or on vibrate during class time.

**Plagiarism and cheating policy:**

This is not usually a problem since 95% of the class are senior citizens and the class is credit-no credit.

**Accommodations for students with disabilities:**

As indicated above, many of the class members are senior citizens and certain accommodations for parking close to the classroom have been arranged. "If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e., Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) per the A.D.A. (Americans with Disabilities Act) or section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact me as soon as possible. We will follow all regulations pertaining to the ADA and affirmative action issues.