# Virginia Western Community College HRT 201 Landscape Plant Materials I

#### **Prerequisites**

None.

#### **Course Description**

Studies landscape use of plants. Considers ornamental value, growth habit, identification, and limitations. Part I of II.

## Semester Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: 2 Lab/Clinical/Internship Hours: 2

### **Required Materials**

**Textbook:** Manual of Woody Landscape Plants. Sixth Edition. ISBN: 1-58874-868-5.

**Other Required Materials:** None.

#### **Course Outcomes**

#### At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- Understand classification and nomenclature of plants
- Understand plant morphology
- Read and understand the USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map
- Identify 160 designated trees and shrubs (deciduous and evergreen) using common names and botanical names
- Characterize these trees and shrubs using physical qualities such as size, cold hardiness and seasonal interest
- Describe the cultural requirements (soil and light conditions) for these trees and shrubs
- List the uses and limitations of these trees and shrubs
- Use a plant key to identify unknown plants

## **Topical Description**

- I. Introduction
  - A. Plant Nomenclature
  - B. Plant Morphology
  - C. Plant Key

- II. Selected Annuals
  - A. Identification (Common and Botanical Names)
  - B. Size
  - C. Seasonal Interest
  - D. Culture
  - E. Landscape Value
- III. Selected Perennials
  - A. Identification (Common and Botanical Names)
  - B. Size
  - C. Seasonal Interest
  - D. Culture
  - E. Landscape Value
- IV. Selected Woody Landscaping Plants (Deciduous)
  - A. Identification (Common and Botanical Names)
  - B. Size
  - C. Hardiness
  - D. Seasonal Interest
  - E. Culture
  - F. Landscape Value
- V. Selected Woody Landscaping Plants (Evergreen)
  - A. Identification (Common and Botanical Names)
  - B. Size
  - C. Hardiness
  - D. Seasonal Interest
  - E. Culture
  - F. Landscape Value

#### Notes to Instructors

- Weekly plant identification quizzes
- Minimum of 10 plants discussed each week