



**PLS 355 Interior Plantscaping
Course Syllabus: Fall 2016**

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COURSE INFORMATION

Materials – Textbooks, Readings, Supplementary Readings:

Textbook(s) Required: None

Course Description

Identification, selection, installation, maintenance, and management of plants used in interior design.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will be:

1. Familiar with the various uses of plants in interior design;
2. Able to identify plants commonly used in interior plantscapes;
3. Aware of common pests, diseases, and other problems common to plants grown indoors;
4. A person with practical experience with interior plantscapes.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Course Outline

Week 1	Introduction to Interior Plantscaping
Week 2	Benefits of Plants Indoors
Week 3	Interiorscape Design and Environment (Light)
Week 4	Interiorscape Environment (Temperature, Water)
Week 5	Plant Nutrition / Exam I
Week 6	Interior Plants – Ficus, Palms and Dracaenas
Week 7	Interior Plants – Aroids and Ferns
Week 8	Interior Plants – Shrubs and Groundcovers
Week 9	Interior Plants - Color
Week 10	Interior Plants – Exam II
Week 11	Interior Plants – Diseases and control
Week 12	Interior Plants – Pests and control
Week 13	Interior Plants – Business Management – Bidding Projects
Week 14	Interior Plants – Business Management – Employee Management
Week 15	Exam III
Final Exam	Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Grading

1. Exams (3)	300 points
2. Class Project	200 points
3. Lab	300 points (see Lab syllabus)
4. Grade Assignment	720+ = A 630 – 719 = B 540 – 629 = C 480 – 539 = D below 480 = F

There will be no “Extra Credit” work offered.

ATTENDANCE

As adults, you are responsible for regular attendance and your own grade. Absences without a valid excuse (to be determined by the instructor) will be considered unexcused, and you will not be allowed to make up any missed assignments.

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES/POLICIES
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Course Specific Procedures:

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. Students are expected to respect the rights of others in the class. Cell phones and other electronic equipment should be turned off prior to the beginning of class. Use of these items during class time, or any other unwarranted classroom disruption, will result in your immediate excusal from class for the remainder of the period.

You may bring drinks to class. Please finish any meals before class begins. The use of tobacco products during class time is strictly prohibited.

Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. Copying of others' work, use of disallowed material on exams, plagiarism in assignments, or cheating in any other form as defined by the instructor will result in a grade of zero for that assignment. Multiple infractions will result in a grade of 'F' for the course. No electronic equipment, except calculators, will be allowed during exams. Violation of this will result in an immediate grade of '0' for the exam.

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Office of Student Disability Resources and Services

Texas A&M University-Commerce

Gee Library 132

Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835

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