

# Cover Sheet: Request 13721

## Organic Horticultural Systems

### Info

Process	Specialization New/Modify/Close Ugrad
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Description of request	We request to: 1) modify the 8-semester plan of our existing specialization Organic Crop Production, 2) change specialization name to "Organic Horticultural Systems ", and 3) catalog copy included with universal tracking for semesters 5-8 (original submission 12590)

### Actions

Step	Status	Group	User	Comment	Updated
Department	Approved	CALS - Horticultural Sciences 514923000	Christine Chase		3/5/2019
HOS curriculum revision support letter.pdf					3/5/2019
College	Approved	CALS - College of Agricultural and Life Sciences	Joel H Brendemuhl	Corrections requested by the CALS CC on 3/15/19 have been addressed.	4/19/2019
Organic Horticultural Systems - For UCC upload.docx					4/18/2019
Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs	Approved	PV - Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs	Casey Griffith		9/11/2019
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# Specialization|Modify for request 13721

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## Responses

**Specialization Name** Organic Crop Production

**Specialization Code** OCP

**Effective Term** Earliest Available

**Effective Year** Earliest Available

**Is this an Undergraduate Innovation Academy Program** No

**Current Curriculum for Specialization** SEMESTER 1

IDS 1161 What is the Good Life (Gen Ed Humanities) 3

MAC 1147 TC Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry (State Core Gen Ed Mathematics)  
4

State Core Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement 3

State Core Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences 3

Elective2

Credits 15

SEMESTER 2

Select one: 3-4

AEB 2014 Economic Issues, Food and You (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)

ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)

ECO 2023 Principles of Microeconomics (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)

CHM 2045

& 2045L TC General Chemistry 1 and General Chemistry 1 Laboratory (State Core Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences) 4

State Core Gen Ed Humanities 3

Electives 5

Credits 15-16

SEMESTER 3

AEC 3033C Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences (Writing Requirement) 3

Select one: 3-4

BOT 2010C TC Introductory Botany (Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)

BSC 2010

& 2010L TC Integrated Principles of Biology 1

and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 1 (Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)

Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement 3

Gen Ed Mathematics 2

Electives 4

Credits 15-16

SEMESTER 4

AEC 3030C Effective Oral Communication 3

Select one: 4

BOT 2011C TC Plant Diversity (Gen Ed Biological Sciences)  
BSC 2011  
& 2011L TC Integrated Principles of Biology 2 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 2  
(Gen Ed Biological Sciences)

Select one: 3

PHY 2004 TC Applied Physics 1 (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)  
PHY 2020 TC Introduction to Principles of Physics (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)

Electives 5  
Credits 15

#### SEMESTER 5

HOS 3020C Principles of Horticultural Crop Production 4

ENY 3005

Principles of Entomology 2

ENY 3005L

Principles of Entomology Lab 1

PLP 3002C

Fundamentals of Plant Pathology 4

Commodity or approved elective

5

Credits 16

#### SEMESTER 6

HOS 3430C Nutrition of Horticultural Crops 3

AGR 3303 Genetics 3

AGR 4212

Alternative Cropping Systems 3

Commodity or approved elective 6

Credits 15

#### SEMESTER 7

HOS 4304 Horticultural Physiology 3

HOS 3281C Principles of Organic and Sustainable Crop Production 3

SWS 3022

Intro to Soils in Environment 3

SWS 3022L

Intro to Soils Lab 1

Commodity or approved elective

3

Practical experience electives 1-3

Credits 14-16

#### SEMESTER 8

HOS 4341

Advanced Horticultural Physiology 3

HOS 4283C Advanced Organic and Sustainable Crop Production 3

HOS 4933

Professional Development in Horticulture 1

Commodity or approved elective

6

Pest management course

3

Credits 15

**Proposed Changes** No changes in semesters 1-4.

#### SEMESTER 5

HOS 3020C Principles of Horticultural Crop Production 4

ALS 3153 Agricultural Ecology 3

SWS 3022 Intro to Soils in Environment 3

SWS 3022L Intro to Soils Lab 1

STA 2023 Introduction to Statistics I 3

HOS 3XXX The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Reg. 1  
Total 15

#### SEMESTER 6

HOS 3430C Nutrition of Horticultural Crops 3  
HOS 4933 Professional Development in Horticulture 1  
AGR 3303 Genetics 3  
ENY 3005 Principles of Entomology 2  
ENY 3005L Principles of Entomology Lab 1  
Approved electives 5  
Total 15

#### SEMESTER 7

HOS 4304 Horticultural Physiology 3  
HOS 3281C Principles of Organic & Sustainable Crop Production 3  
PLP 3002C Fundamentals of Plant Pathology 4  
HOS 4918 Capstone Planning 1  
Practical experience electives 1-2  
Approved electives 3  
Total 15-16

#### SEMESTER 8

HOS 4283C Advanced Organic & Sustainable Crop Production 3  
HOS 4XXX Organic Weed Management 3  
HOS 4XXXC Principles of Postharvest Horticulture 3  
HOS 4921 Horticultural Sciences Capstone 2-4  
Approved electives 4  
Total 15-17

**Pedagogical Rationale/Justification** We propose renaming our "Organic Crop Production" specialization "Organic Horticultural Systems". We also propose updating the required courses for this specialization. Changes reflect needs for courses in the regulation of organic production (HOS3XXX was added), organic weed management (HOS4XXX was added), and postharvest storage conditions (HOS4XXXC was added). Additionally, changes include the addition of courses in our capstone sequence, which are focused on providing meaningful horticulture experience to our graduates.

**Impact on Other Programs** No impacts on other programs are foreseen, as the majority of these courses are taught in-house.

**Assessment Data Review** Proposed changes do not affect Student Learning Outcomes.

**Academic Learning Compact and Academic Assessment Plan** Proposed changes do not affect the Academic Learning Compact or Academic Assessment Plan.

# Horticultural Science

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Horticultural Science graduates have a foundation of knowledge in the science behind fruit and vegetable production, including commodity production, cropping systems, basic plant science, and molecular biology. Horticultural Science students study genetics, crop nutrition, plant physiology chemistry, physics, entomology and nematology, and soil and water sciences.

**College:** [Agricultural and Life Sciences](#)

**Degree:** Bachelor in Science

**Credits for Degree:** 120

**Specializations:**

Science and Technology of Horticultural Crops    [Organic Horticultural Systems](#) ;  
[Plant Biotechnology and Improvement](#)

[Academic Learning Compact](#)

[Additional Information](#)

[Related Horticultural Science Programs](#)

*To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.*

## Overview

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The department offers three specializations: science and technology of horticultural crops, organic horticultural systems and plant biotechnology and improvement. These options provide a strong science background and flexibility when choosing elective courses. Details of the specializations are outlined below. An academic advisor will help develop the curriculum that best suits your career and educational goals.

### Organic Horticultural Systems

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[Critical Tracking](#)    [Model Semester Plan](#)

This specialization emphasizes the cultural practices that maintain ecological and economical balance in horticultural crop production systems. This is a flexible option with many electives available to meet education and career objectives. Graduates will be prepared for a range of careers related to conventional, sustainable and organic crop production.

### Critical Tracking

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*Note that critical tracking is the same for all specializations of this major except Plant Molecular and Cellular Biology.*

Critical Tracking records each student's progress in courses that are required for entry to each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida [Common Course Prerequisites](#) may be used for transfer students.

**Semester 1**

Complete 1 of 5 critical-tracking courses, excluding labs: BOT 2010C or BSC 2010/2010L, BOT 2011C or BSC 2011/2011L, CHM 2045/2045L, MAC 1147, PHY 2004 or PHY 2020

2.0 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses

2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 2**

Complete 1 additional critical-tracking course, excluding labs

2.0 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses

2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 3**

Complete 1 additional critical-tracking course, excluding labs

2.0 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses

2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 4**

Complete 2 additional critical-tracking courses, excluding labs

2.0 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses

2.0 UF GPA required

**Semester 5**

Complete all critical-tracking courses, including labs

2.0 GPA required for all critical-tracking courses

Complete 1 of 4 upper division critical tracking courses: HOS 3020C, HOS 4933, HOS 4304, HOS 4934

2.0 UF GPA required

2.0 Upper Division GPA required

**Semester 6**

Complete 1 additional upper division tracking course

2.0 UF GPA required

2.0 Upper Division GPA required

**Semester 7**

Complete 1 additional upper division tracking course

2.0 UF GPA required

2.0 Upper Division GPA required

**Semester 8**

Complete all upper division tracking courses

2.0 UF GPA required

2.0 Upper Division GPA required

**Model Semester Plan**

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To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

*This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student's academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still*

apply.

Semester 1	Credits
IDS 1161 What is the Good Life	3
↑ <a href="#">GE-H</a>	
<b>MAC 1147 Precalculus: Algebra and Trigonometry</b>	<b>4</b>
↑ <a href="#">State Core GE-M</a>	
Composition	3
↑ <a href="#">State Core GE-C ; WR</a>	
elective	2
Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
↑ <a href="#">State Core GE-S</a>	
Total	15
AEB 2014 Economic Issues, Food and You , 3 credits, or	3-4
↑ ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics , 4 credits, or	
↑ ECO 2023 Principles of Microeconomics, 4 credits	
↑ <a href="#">GE-S</a>	
<b>CHM 2045 General Chemistry 1 , 3 credits, and</b>	<b>4</b>
↑ <b>CHM 2045L General Chemistry 1 Laboratory , 1 credits</b>	
↑ <a href="#">State Core GE-B/P</a>	
electives	5
Humanities	3

Total 15-16

AEC 3033C Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences 3

↑ WR

**BOT 2010C Introductory Botany**, 3 credits 3-4

□ OR

↑ **BSC 2010 Integrated Principles of Biology 1**, 3 credits, and

↑ **BSC 2010L Integrated Principles of Biology 1 Laboratory**, 1 credit

↑ GE-B/P

electives 4

Composition 3

↑ GE-C; WR

Mathematics 2

↑ GE-M

Total 15-16

AEC 3030C Effective Oral Communication 3

**BOT 2011C Plant Diversity** 4

□ OR

↑ **BSC 2011 Integrated Principles of Biology 2**, 3 credits, and

↑ **BSC 2011L Integrated Principles of Biology 2 Laboratory**, 1 credit



†GE-B

**PHY 2004 Applied Physics 1** *or* **3**

†PHY 2020 Introduction to Principles of Physics

†GE-P

electives **5**

Total **15**

SWS 3022 Introduction to Soils in the Environment **3**

†SWS 3022L Introduction to Soils in the Environment Laboratory **1**

**HOS 3020C Principles of Horticulture Crop Production** **4**

ALS 3153 Agricultural Ecology **3**

STA 2023 Introduction to Statistics I HOS 3285 The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Development & **3**

Regulations **1**

Total **15**

AGR 3303 Genetics **3**

ENY 3005 Principles of Entomology **2**

ENY 3005L Principles of Entomology Laboratory **1**

HOS 3430C Nutrition of Horticultural Crops **3**

Approved electives



**HOS 4933 Professional Development  
in Horticulture**

**1**

Total 15

HOS 3281C Principles of Organic and Sustainable Production

3

**HOS 4304 Horticultural Physiology**

**3**

PLP 3002C Fundamentals of Plant Pathology

HOS 4918 Capstone Planning

1

3

Approved elective



Practical Experience Electives



1-2

Total 15-16

HOS 4283C Advanced Organic and Sustainable Production

3

HOS 4332C Principles of Postharvest Horticulture

3

WDS 4001 Organic Weed Management

3

4

† Approved electives



**HOS 4921 Horticultural Sciences Capstone**

**2-4**

Total 15-17



†\*For approved electives and practical experience electives, see advisor.



# Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences

## Specialization in Organic Crop Production (Current)

Semester 1	
IDS 1161	What is the Good Life (Gen Ed Humanities)
MAC 1147	TC Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry (State Core Gen Ed Mathematics)
	State Core Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement
	State Core Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences
	Elective
Semester 2	
	Select one:
AEB 2014	Economic Issues, Food and You (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)
ECO 2013	Principles of Macroeconomics (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)
ECO 2023	Principles of Microeconomics (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)
<a href="#">CHM 2045</a>	TC
<a href="#">CHM 2045L</a>	General Chemistry 1 and General Chemistry 1 Laboratory (State Core Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)
	State Core Gen Ed Humanities
	Electives
Semester 3	
AEC 3033C	Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences (Writing Requirement)
	Select one:
BOT 2010C	TC Introductory Botany (Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)
BSC 2010	TC
<a href="#">BSC 2010L</a>	Integrated Principles of Biology 1 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 1 (Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)
	Gen Ed Composition; Writing Requirement
	Gen Ed Mathematics
	Electives
Semester 4	
AEC 3030C	Effective Oral Communication
	Select one:
BOT 2011C	TC Plant Diversity (Gen Ed Biological Sciences)
BSC 2011	TC
<a href="#">BSC 2011L</a>	Integrated Principles of Biology 2 and Integrated Principles of Biology Laboratory 2 (Gen Ed Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences)
	Select one:
PHY 2004	TC Applied Physics 1 (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)
PHY 2020	TC Introduction to Principles of Physics (Gen Ed Physical Sciences)

	Electives
<b>Semester 5</b>	
HOS 3020C	Principles of Horticultural Crop Production
ENY 3005	Principles of Entomology
ENY 3005L	Principles of Entomology Lab
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology
	Commodity or approved elective
<b>Semester 6</b>	
HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops
AGR 3303	Genetics
AGR 4212	Alternative Cropping Systems
	Commodity or approved elective
<b>Semester 7</b>	
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology
HOS 3281C	Principles of Organic and Sustainable Crop Production
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in Environment
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab
	Commodity or approved elective
	Practical experience electives
<b>Semester 8</b>	
HOS 4341	Advanced Horticultural Physiology
HOS 4283C	Advanced Organic and Sustainable Crop Production
HOS 4933	Professional Development in Horticulture
	Commodity or approved elective
	Pest management course

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Specialization in Organic Horticultural Systems (Proposed)

No changes in semesters 1-4.

<b>Semester 5</b>	
HOS 3020C	Principles of Horticultural Crop Production
ALS 3153	Agricultural Ecology
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in Environment
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab
STA 2023	Introduction to Statistics I
HOS 3XXX	The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Reg.
<b>Semester 6</b>	

HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops
HOS 4933	Professional Development in Horticulture
AGR 3303	Genetics
ENY 3005	Principles of Entomology
ENY 3005L	Principles of Entomology Lab
	Approved electives
<b>Semester 7</b>	
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology
HOS 3281C	Principles of Organic & Sustainable Crop Production
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology
HOS 4918	Capstone Planning
	Practical experience electives
	Approved electives
<b>Semester 8</b>	
HOS 4283C	Advanced Organic & Sustainable Crop Production
HOS 4XXX	Organic Weed Management
HOS 4XXXC	Principles of Postharvest Horticulture
HOS 4921	Horticultural Sciences Capstone
	Approved electives



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February 11, 2019

To: Plant Science Department Chairs

From: Chris Chase, Interim Chair, Horticultural Sciences (HOS) Department

Re: HOS undergraduate curriculum revision

The HOS faculty has voted to sunset our undergraduate curriculum when and if a new Plant Science Undergraduate Curriculum is developed by a joint committee of HOS and Plant Science faculty and approved by a majority vote of faculty members in the participating departments. Due to the relatively long time-frame for this joint venture we would, at this point, like to implement proposed revisions to our departmental undergraduate curriculum. We have spent the last 18 months developing these revisions, and we anticipate that many of these revisions will find their way into the new Plant Science curriculum.

The proposed HOS undergraduate curriculum revision is presented in detail below. It includes ten new courses, several revised courses, and a requirement for an e-portfolio. Our aim is to become the national standard for quality education in horticultural sciences while addressing current and future needs of students and industry. We developed new courses and revised existing courses to incorporate experiential and evidence-based learning, aligning our course offerings with recommendations for undergraduate science education from AAAS and NSF [<http://visionandchange.org/reports/>]. Our semester 5-8 tracking courses position us as a model for the adoption of UF-QUEST curricula in the future. Our capstone sequence was designed with the Model for the Integration of Experiential Learning into Capstone Courses framework [Andreasen NACTA Journal 48:52] in mind. Additionally, by connecting our unique network of academic and industry horticulturists, we have designed a capstone experience that will promote critical thinking and problem solving, increase educational quality, and enhance student career-readiness.

Implementation of the revised HOS curriculum would be advantageous for the proposed new joint Plant Science degree since it would give us the opportunity to pilot the newly developed courses, the revised courses, and the e-portfolio. All of the required new and revised courses for the proposed curriculum have been approved by the CALS and University Curriculum Committees and the revised curriculum was approved by unanimous vote of Horticultural Sciences Department Faculty. Our next step will be submitting our proposed curriculum revision to the CALS Curriculum Committee. We ask that you sign below to indicate your support for our curriculum revision as we work toward development of a new joint Plant Sciences curriculum proposal that leverages and combines the strengths of our respective academic programs. Thanks in advance for your support.

## APPROVALS

<u>Department</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
Environmental Horticulture	Dean Kopsell	<u>Dean D. Kopsell</u>	_____
Plant Pathology	Rose Loria	<u>Rosemary Loria</u>	_____
Agronomy	Diane Rowland	<u>Diane Rowland</u>	_____
Entomology/Nematology	Blair Siegfried	<u>Blair Siegfried</u>	_____
Soil & Water Sciences	Matthew Whiles	<u>Matthew Whiles</u>	_____



**Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences**

**Specialization in Horticultural Science (Current)**

	Courses	Credit
<b>Fifth semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020	Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	3
ORH 3513C	Environmental Plant ID	3
	Pest management course	3-4
	Approved electives	6
	Total	15
<b>Sixth semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 4933	Professional Development in Horticulture	1
HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops	3
	Pest management course	3-4
	Approved electives	8
	Total	15
<b>Seventh semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
PLS 3223	Plant Propagation	2
PLS 3223L	Plant Propagation Lab	1
AGR 3303	Genetics	3
	Approved electives	6
	Total	15
<b>Eighth semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 4341	Advanced Horticultural Physiology	3
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in the Environment	3
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab	1
	Approved electives	8
	Total	15

**Commented [NG1]:** New specialization name: Science and Technology of Horticultural Crops

**Commented [NG2]:** Replaced by HOS3020C – Principles of Horticultural Crop Production (4 credits)

**Commented [NG3]:** Replaced by PLP3002C – Fundamental of Plant Pathology (4 credits)

**Commented [NG4]:** Replaced by STA2023 - Introduction to Statistics I (3 credits)

**Commented [NG5]:** Replaced by ENY3005 + L – Principles of Entomology and Lab (3 credits)

**Commented [NG6]:** 2-3 credits must be practical experience electives

**Commented [NG7]:** Moved to sixth semester

**Commented [NG8]:** Moved to sixth semester

**Commented [NG9]:** New courses added: PLS4601C – Principles of Weed Science (3 credits) HOS 4XXX – Capstone Planning (1 credit)

**Commented [NG10]:** Replaced by HOS3222C – Greenhouse and Protected Agriculture (3 credits)

**Commented [NG11]:** Moved to fifth semester

**Commented [NG12]:** Moved to fifth semester

**Commented [NG13]:** New courses added: HOS4XXX – Principles of Postharvest Horticulture (3 credits) HOS4XXX – Horticultural Sciences Capstone (2-4 credits) Technology electives (3 credits)

**Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences****Specialization in Science and Technology of Horticultural Crops (Proposed)**

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit</b>
<b>Fifth Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020C	<sup>TC</sup> Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	4
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in the Environment	3
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab	1
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology	4
STA 2023	Introduction to Statistics I	3
	Total	15
<b>Sixth Semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops	3
HOS 4933	<sup>TC</sup> Professional Development in Horticulture	1
PLS 3223	Plant Propagation	2
PLS 3223L	Plant Propagation Lab	1
ENY 3005	Principles of Entomology	2
ENY 3005L	Principles of Entomology Lab	1
	Practical Experience electives	2-3
	Approved electives	3
	Total	15-16
<b>Seventh Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
AGR 3303	Genetics	3
PLS 4601C	Principles of Weed Science	3
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Capstone Planning	1
	Approved electives	6
	Total	16
<b>Eight Semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 3222C	Greenhouse and Protected Agriculture	3
HOS 4XXXC	Principles of Postharvest Horticulture	3
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Horticultural Sciences Capstone	2-4
	Approved electives	3
	Technology electives	3
	Total	14-16

<sup>TC</sup> Semester tracking course

Practical Experience Electives:

HOS 4911 - Supervised Research in Horticultural Sciences  
HOS 4941 - Practical Work Experience in Horticultural Sciences  
ALS 4404 - Study Abroad in Horticultural Sciences  
HOS 4900 - Supervised Extension Experience in Horticultural Sciences

Technology Electives:

AOM 3333 - Pesticide Application Techniques  
AOM 3734 - Irrigation Principles and Practices in FL  
AOM 3073 - Safety in Agriculture  
AOM 4434 - Precision Agriculture  
FOS 4722C - Quality Control in Food Systems  
PLS 4404C - Principles of Composting Technology  
SUR 4501C - Foundations of UAS Mapping

Approved Electives:

*Fruit, Vegetable, and Medicinal Crops*

HOS 4341 - Advanced Horticultural Physiology  
FRC 3252 - Tropical and Subtropical Fruits  
FRC 3274 - Tree and Small Fruit Production  
VEC 3221C - Commercial Vegetable Production  
PLS 3XXX - Hydroponic Systems  
HOS 4XXX - Genetics and Breeding of Vegetable Crops  
HOS 3XXX – The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Regulations  
HOS 3XXX – Viticulture for Table Grapes and Wine

*Production Technology and Food Systems*

AEB 4123 - Agricultural and Natural Resource Law  
AGR 4214C - Applied Field Crop Production  
AGR 4320 - Genetic Improvement of Plants  
AGR 4212 - Alternative Cropping Systems  
AGR 4512 - Physiology and Ecology of Crops  
ANS 3006 - Introduction to Animal Science  
AOM 3220 - Agricultural Construction and Maintenance  
AOM 4314C - Power and Machinery Management  
AOM 4434 - Precision Agriculture  
AOM 4455 - Agricultural Operations and Systems  
AOM 4642 - Environmental Systems for Agricultural Structures  
BOT 4650 - Plant Symbiosis  
ENY 4573 - Beekeeping  
ORH 3513C - Environmental Plant ID  
PLP 4104 - Applied Plant Disease Management  
PLP 3103C - Control of Plant Diseases  
SUR 3103C – Geomatics

SUR 3641 – Survey Computations  
SWS 4116 - Environmental Nutrient Management  
SWS 4207 - Sustainable Agricultural and Urban Land Management

*Language and Quantitative Skills*

SPN 1130 - Beginning Spanish 1  
STA 3024 - Introduction to Statistics 2  
AEC 3073 - Intercultural Communication

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Specialization in Organic Crop Production (Current)

	Courses	Credit
<b>Fifth semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020	Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	3
ENY 3005	Principles of Entomology	2
ENY 3005L	Principles of Entomology Lab	1
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology	4
	Commodity or approved elective	6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Sixth semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops	3
HOS 4933	Professional Development in Horticulture	1
AGR 3303	Genetics	3
AGR 4212	Alternative Cropping Systems	3
	Commodity or approved elective	5-6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Seventh semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
HOS 3281C	Principles of Organic and Sustainable Crop Production	3
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in Environment	3
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab	1
	Commodity or approved elective	3
	Practical experience electives	1-3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Eight semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 4341	Advanced Horticultural Physiology	3
HOS 4283C	Advanced Organic and Sustainable Crop Production	3
	Commodity or approved elective	6
	Pest management course	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

**Commented [NG1]:** New specialization name: Organic Horticultural Systems

**Commented [NG2]:** Replaced by HOS3020C – Principles of Horticultural Crop Production (4 credits)

**Commented [NG3]:** Moved to sixth semester

**Commented [NG4]:** Moved to sixth semester

**Commented [NG5]:** Moved to seventh semester

**Commented [NG6]:** New courses added:  
HOS3XXX – The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Reg. (1 credit)  
ALS3153 – Agricultural Ecology (3 credits)  
STA2023 – Introduction to Statistics 1 (3 credits)

**Commented [NG7]:** Moved to approved electives

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**Commented [NG10]:** New course added:  
HOS3XXX – Capstone Planning (1 credit)

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**Commented [NG13]:** New courses added:  
HOS4XXX – Organic Weed Management (3 credits)  
HOS4XXX – Horticultural Sciences Capstone (2-4 credits)  
HOS4XXXC – Principles of Postharvest Horticulture (3 credits)

**Commented [NG14]:** Replaced by approved electives (4 credits)

**Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences****Specialization in Organic Horticultural Systems (Proposed)**

	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit</b>
<b>Fifth Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020C	<sup>TC</sup> Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	4
ALS 3153	Agricultural Ecology	3
SWS 3022	Intro to Soils in Environment	3
SWS 3022L	Intro to Soils Lab	1
STA 2023	Introduction to Statistics I	3
HOS 3XXX	The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Reg.	1
	Total	15
<b>Sixth Semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 3430C	Nutrition of Horticultural Crops	3
HOS 4933	<sup>TC</sup> Professional Development in Horticulture	1
AGR 3303	Genetics	3
ENY 3005	Principles of Entomology	2
ENY 3005L	Principles of Entomology Lab	1
	Approved electives	5
	Total	15
<b>Seventh Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
HOS 3281C	Principles of Organic & Sustainable Crop Production	3
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology	4
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Capstone Planning	1
	Practical experience electives	1-2
	Approved electives	3
	Total	15-16
<b>Eight Semester (Spring)</b>		
HOS 4283C	Advanced Organic & Sustainable Crop Production	3
HOS 4XXX	Organic Weed Management	3
HOS 4XXXC	Principles of Postharvest Horticulture	3
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Horticultural Sciences Capstone	2-4
	Approved electives	4
	Total	15-17

<sup>TC</sup> Semester tracking course

Practical Experience Electives:

HOS 4911 – Supervised Research in Horticultural Sciences  
HOS 4941 - Practical Work Experience in Horticultural Sciences  
ALS 4404 - Study Abroad in Horticultural Sciences  
HOS 4900 - Supervised Extension Experience in Horticultural Sciences

Approved electives:

*Fruit, Vegetable, and Medicinal Crops*

HOS 4341 - Advanced Horticultural Physiology  
FRC 3252 - Tropical and Subtropical Fruits  
FRC 3274 - Tree and Small Fruit Production  
VEC 3221C - Commercial Vegetable Production  
HOS 3222C - Greenhouse and Protected Agriculture  
PLS 3XXXC - Hydroponic Systems  
HOS 4XXX – Genetics and Breeding of Vegetable Crops  
HOS 3XXX – Viticulture for Table Grapes and Wine

*Production Technology and Food Systems*

AGR 4214C - Applied Field Crop Production  
AGR 4320 - Genetic Improvement of Plants  
ANS 3006 - Introduction to Animal Science  
AOM 3220 - Agricultural Construction and Maintenance  
AOM 4314C - Power and Machinery Management  
AOM 4434 - Precision Agriculture  
AOM 4455 - Agricultural Operations and Systems  
AOM 4642 - Environmental Systems for Agricultural Structures  
PLS 3221+L - Plant Propagation and Lab  
PLS 4404C - Principles of Composting Technology

*Soil and Water Management*

AOM 3732 - Agricultural Water Management  
AOM 3734 - Irrigation Principles and Practices in Florida  
SOS 4116 - Environmental Nutrient Management  
SWS 4207 - Sustainable Agricultural and Urban Land Management  
SWS 4231C - Soil, Water and Land Use  
SWS 4233 - Soil and Water Conservation  
SWS 4245 - Water Resource Sustainability  
SWS 4303C - Soil Microbial Ecology

*Disease and Pest Management*

PLP 3103C - Control of Plant Diseases  
PLP 4104 - Applied Plant Disease Management  
IPM 3022 - Fundamentals of Pest Management  
PMA 4570C - Field Techniques in IPM

ENY 4573 - Beekeeping  
PLS 4601C - Integrated Weed Management

*Environmental/Health Issues /Food Safety*

AGR 3501 - Environment, Food and Society  
ALS 3133 - Agricultural and Environmental Quality  
GEO 3427 - Plants, Health and Spirituality  
PKG 3010 - Packaging, Society and the Environment  
FOS 4202 - Food Safety and Sanitation (prereq: MCB 2000 and MCB 2000L)  
AEB 4274 - Natural Resource and Environmental Policy

*Economics and Agribusiness*

AEB 3300 - Agricultural and Food Marketing  
AEB 3341 - Selling Strategically  
AEB 4123 - Agricultural and Natural Resource Law  
AEB 4224 - US Food and Agricultural Policy  
AEB 4309 - Food Wholesaling and Retail Marketing  
AEB 4334 - Agricultural Price Analysis and Consumer Behavior  
AEB 4424 - Human Resources Management in Agribusiness



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## Specialization in Plant Molecular and Cell Biology (Current)

	Courses	Credit
<b>Fifth semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020	Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	3
CHM 2210	Organic Chemistry 1	3
HOS 3305	Intro. to Plant Molecular Biology	3
HOS4313C	Lab Methods in Plant Mol. Biology	2
AGR 3303	Genetics	3
	Total	14
<b>Sixth semester (Spring)</b>		
CHM 2211	Organic Chemistry 2	3
CHM 2211L	Organic Chemistry Lab	2
HOS 4933	Professional Development in Horticulture	1
	Approved electives	10
	Total	16
<b>Seventh semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
PLP 3002C	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology	4
BCH 3025	Fundamentals of Biochemistry (or BCH 4024)	4
	Approved electives	3
	Total	14
<b>Eighth semester (Spring)</b>		
MCB 3020	Basic Biology of Microorganisms	3
MCB 3002L	Basic Biology of Microorganisms Lab	1
AGR 4320	Genetic Improvement of Plants	3
	Approved electives	9
	Total	16

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Plant Biotechnology and Improvement

**Commented [NG1]:** Replaced by HOS3020C – Principles of Horticultural Crop Production (4 credits)

**Commented [NG2]:** Moved to seventh semester

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**Commented [NG4]:** New courses added:  
Approved electives (2 credits)  
STA2023 – Introduction to Statistics 1 (3 credits)

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STA3024 – Introduction to Statistics II (3 credits)  
Approved electives (2 credits)

**Commented [NG6]:** Moved to approved electives

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**Commented [NG8]:** New courses added:  
Approved electives (2 credits)  
HOS4XXX – Capstone Planning (1 credit)

**Commented [NG9]:** Replaced by Plant breeding elective (3 credits)

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HOS4XXX – Horticultural Sciences Capstone (2-4 credits)

**Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences****Specialization in Plant Biotechnology and Improvement (Proposed)**

	Courses	Credit
<b>Fifth Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 3020C	<sup>TC</sup> Principles of Horticultural Crop Production	4
CHM 2210	Organic Chemistry 1	3
STA 2023	Introduction to Statistics I	3
AGR3303	Genetics	3
	Approved electives	2
	Total	15
<b>Sixth Semester (Spring)</b>		
STA 3024	Introduction to Statistics II	3
AGR 4320	Genetic Improvement of Plants	3
HOS 4933	<sup>TC</sup> Professional Development in Horticulture	1
CHM 2211	Organic Chemistry 2	3
CHM 2211L	Organic Chemistry Lab	2
	Approved electives	3
	Total	15
<b>Seventh Semester (Fall)</b>		
HOS 4304	Horticultural Physiology	3
HOS 3305	Intro. to Plant Molecular Biology	3
HOS 4313C	Lab Methods in Plant Mol. Biology	2
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Capstone Planning	1
BCH 4024	Biochemistry	4
	Approved electives	2
	Total	15
<b>Eighth Semester (Spring)</b>		
	Plant breeding elective	3
HOS 4XXX	<sup>TC</sup> Horticultural Sciences Capstone	2 - 4
	Approved electives	10
	Total	15

<sup>TC</sup> Semester tracking course

Plant Breeding Electives

HOS 4XXX - Genetics and Breeding of Vegetable Crops

Approved Electives:

*Practical experience*

HOS 4911 - Supervised Research in Horticultural Sciences

HOS 4941 - Practical Work Experience in Horticultural Sciences

ALS 4404 - Study Abroad in Horticultural Sciences

HOS 4900 - Supervised Extension Experience in Horticultural Sciences

*Fruit, Vegetable, and Medicinal Crops*

PLS 3223 - Plant Propagation

PLS 3223L - Plant Propagation Lab

PLS 4653C - Micropropagation of Horticultural Plants

FRC 3252 - Tropical and SubTropical Fruits

FRC 3274 - Tree and Small Fruit Production

HOS 4341 - Advanced Horticultural Physiology

HOS 3222C - Greenhouse & Protected Agriculture

HOS 3281C - Organic and Sustainable Crop Production

HOS 3221C - Commercial Vegetable Production

HOS 4XXXC - Principles of Postharvest Horticulture

HOS 3XXX - The Organic Debate: Organic Agriculture Dev. & Regulations

HOS 3XXX - Viticulture for Table Grapes and Wine

PLS 3XXXC - Hydroponic Systems

HOS 4XXX - Organic Weed Management

*Bioinformatics, Mathematics & Statistics*

BSC 2891 - Python for Biology

BSC 4434C - Introduction to Bioinformatics

MCB 4325C - R for Functional Genomics

FNR 4461 - Spatial Models & Decision Analysis

MAP 4484 - Modeling in Mathematical Biology course

*Microbiology/Plant Pathology*

MCB 3020 - Basic Biology of Microorganisms

MCB 3020L - Basic Biology of Microorganisms Lab

PLP 3002C - Fundamentals of Plant Pathology

PLP 3230 - Survey of Plant Pathogens

PLP 4104 - Applied Plant Disease Mgt

PLP 4222C - Introduction to Plant Virology

PLP 4260C - Introduction to Plant Pathogenic Fungi

PLP 4242C - Bacterial Plant Pathogens

PLP 4653 - Basic Fungal Biology

*Entomology*

ENY 3005 - Principles of Entomology  
ENY 3005L - Principles of Entomology Lab  
NEM 3002 - Principles of Nematology  
ALS 4161 - Exotic Species and Biosecurity Issues  
ALS 4162 - Consequences of Biological Invasions  
ALS 4163 - Challenges in Plant Resource Protection

*Food Science*

FOS 3042 - Introductory Food Science  
FOS 4722C - Quality Control in Food Systems  
FOS 4936 - Cereal Science and Technology  
FOS 4936 - Flavor Chemistry and Technology  
FOS 4936 - Topics: Technology of Fats & Oils in Food Applications  
ANT 3467 - Food and Culture

*Genetics*

MCB 4304 - Genetics of Microorganisms  
MCB 4522 - Molecular Genetics  
AGR 4304 - Plant Chromosomes and Genomes  
PCB 4553 - Population Genetics

*Botany and Ecology*

ALS 3153 - Agricultural Ecology  
AGG 3501 - Environment, Food and Society  
BSC 3307C - Climate Change Biology  
PCB 3601C - Plant Ecology  
BOT 4621 - Plant Geography

*Economics and Agribusiness*

AEB 4123 - Agricultural and Natural Resource Law  
AEB 4224 - US Food and Agricultural Policy