

Success in the organic sector requires knowledge from a broad-range of disciplines. Organic Practitioners need to know it all! Biology, Soil and Plant Science, Entomology, Agricultural Business Management, Production Technology, Marketing, Regulations and more! The next generation of organic farmers will be competing for success and only the best will succeed. If you are serious about organic production, you need to educate yourself. Get to work! The future is there for those who are willing to work for it.

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Take them all and get out in front of the future!!!

Advanced Organic Farming – Study Group

HORT499/599 or CROP499/599

Advanced Organic Farming

Spring Term 2014 – 2 credits Thursdays 1:00-2:20 ALS3096

10 student limit! – don't delay, we will fill up fast!

CRN's:

HORT499 – 59231 or HORT599 - XXXXX CROP499 – 59110 or CROP599 - 59111

<u>Some registration restrictions</u> – Senior status. Must have taken HORT260 Organic Farming and Gardening (or concurrent), or HORT599 Organic Certification (or concurrent), or equivalent experience/course work with consent of Instructors.

<u>ALSO</u> - Open to non-credit students for fee (\$150) (Contact instructor for payment instructions)

This IS NOT an introductory course! Serious students ONLY!!! Do you really want to learn about applied academic research in Organic Farming? We are setting very high expectations for student participation. You will need to be prepared to bring something to the table. Each week, we will be digging into one of a wide range of topics and current research that are fundamental to the success of this important sector of our agricultural future.

Topics scheduled for presentation and discussion:

- Organic Regulations
- Organic and Biodynamic Soil Management
- Technology in Organic Production
- Organic Pest Control
- Organic Markets
- Organic Berry Production Systems
- Organic Vegetable Production Systems
- Fertility Management in Organic Farms
- Food Safety of Organic Products