

Western Student Learning Results (Program Outcomes) for 2012

Source: Student

of Grads: 7

of Responses: 6

Program: Landscape Horticulture

Outcome	Yes	No	Unk	NA	Result	Feedback
What did you like about this program?	6 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	I did enjoy this program, although everything that i learned from high school was taught once again here. I had exactly the same text books and content and it was more of a review for me then anything from i came here. I got easily bored and probably should have applied myself better. I have had so much more experience in the agriculture/horticulture area in high school then here. My initial plan was to just get a degree and a paper stating i got some form of secondary education. But for those that haven't had my experience, i'm sure they found this program fitting.
					Yes	This was a great experience which allowed me to further my knowledge to a great extent and get a job in a field enjoy. Well worth the effort
					Yes	Hands-on activity Array of topics
					Yes	The large area of different topic that were decussed in coarse over the past two years
					Yes	I was able to learn the skills needed to excell in the landscape horticulture field. As well as learn of the opportunities for employment inside of this field.
					Yes	I loved the program! I think the instructors are highly knowledgeable and capable and the curriculum is fairly sufficient to provide skills in the landscape horticulture field.
What would you change about this program?	5 83.33%	1 16.67%	0	0		
					Yes	I would like to see some more experience with hands on work. Work that is larger scale projects, and following through the whole design process all the way up to installation and maintenance.
					Yes	Somethings... material is given so loosely and not explain well in class. I'm sure you'll have to do outside of class studying on your part. But how the content is delivered, i feel that it should be broken down better. I think there should be a plant science class as well.
					Yes	Need more plant science in a seperate class.
					Yes	Nothing I feel the program was a very good program
					Yes	Inflexibility of some professors, lack of wanting to grade something they are unfamiliar to. If we are learning something, they should be willing to learn something new too. No more trends class.. pointless. More plant science. Sustainability should be more fine-tuned to horticulture. Thinking Critically was the most useless class ever. Certain classes should be offered more than once a year so students have more opportunity to complete them on their time. Joyce Cielecki should teach more. She should be a full-time teacher, with full-time benefits. Joyce is the best teacher, and deserves recognition.

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Use effective communication skills.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		<p>Yes Yes, very much. I've learned a lot on how to use computers to communicate, and in class requirements doing presentations also.</p> <p>Yes I have taken 3 speech classes. I can communicate just fine.</p> <p>Yes Yes, but i feel that there should be a way for first years to be taught how to get around blackboard and so on. My think critically class made us do an online program to perpare us for the class. I think that new students first coming to western should have to do this to help then perpare.</p>
Apply mathematical concepts.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		<p>Yes I struggle with math but the teacher i had was absolutely great. He broke everything down in more then one learning style. If you apply yourself properly and get the needed help, math concepts shouldn't be an issue.</p> <p>Yes Yes, although not much math is required for this program.</p> <p>Yes Math is important, but for a 4 year program. An individual math class should not be required for this program. The math skills we need should be incorporated into the classes.</p>
Transfer social and natural science theories into practical applications.	5 83.33%	1 16.67%	0	0		<p>Yes Yes,this trait is needed when working and dealing with/in the environment i'm in. So applying these items i do feel i have achieved.</p> <p>No Decision making and problem solving science issues?? What?</p>
Demonstrate ability to think critically.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		<p>Yes I feel this class wasn't very useful for the program</p> <p>Yes My course is meant to make you think and consider. Designing project is one example of this. Critically thinking should be an everyday process.</p> <p>Yes Some thanks to Thinking Critically and Creatively.. yes I can think critically.. I still stand by it being a pointless class. However Joanne was an excellent teacher.</p> <p>Yes Yes, the Ethics and Thinking Creatively and Critically requirements have helped a lot with that.</p>
Demonstrate ability to value self and work ethically with others in a diverse population.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		<p>Yes Ethnics and Diversity should not be taught by an American from the middle of now-where in Kansas. I was the only person of color in my class, and knew more than the teacher did, just based on being in a military family. I have travelled more and met more people than the instructor ever will. I know how to demsonstrate self value, and work ethically with others, no thanks to Ethics and Diversity.</p> <p>Yes There are a lot of group projects i'm involved in, therefore, the ability to work with others ethically in diversified settings is cruial.</p> <p>Yes Yes, my entire class has from the beginning been friendly, helpful, courteous. I've made good friends in the course of the two years I have been here.</p>
Use technology effectively.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		

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					Yes	I learned to use Dynascape. Before this program I was already capable of using technology effectively.
					Yes	Very much so, its important that you learn it and learn it fast. Especially in design classes, your grade depends on it.
					Yes	Being a non-traditional student, I feel I've learned a HUGE amount of different technologies! I found the people in ASC to be very helpful in that.
					Yes	Very much so
Make decisions that incorporate the importance of sustainability	6 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Yes, I am more sustainable in everything I think about, or decisions I make due to being made so aware of it.
					Yes	Sustainability was taught by Jean Petri. Nice lady, no clue how to teach sustainability. I learned most of it form my own research.
					Yes	Very good topic in the program very useful in today world
					Yes	Sustainability is one factor that most promient in my field. incorporating such matter should be a nature thing by now.
Evaluate landscape construction systems, techniques, and processes.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	This class was the class Peter Bemis taught the best. Because he knows the most about it. Not interested in the topics, but learned a lot.
					Yes	Many new techniques
					Yes	Loved it! It will be helpful to have a seperate location to do construction projects that can be installed, uninstalled and installed again!
Apply principles of landscape design and knowledge of plant material into landscape design drawings.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	This class was taught well by Peter Bemis. But I would have liked to learn more about design styles; japanese style, mediterranean style, southwest landscape style, cottage garden style, xeriscaping. Not just how to letter, how to draw and color a tree or a shrub. He was far too critical in this class. He needs to understand not everyone is at his level of design skill.
					Yes	Each client and project i have had; forces me to instill these materials. I believe i have gained a well rounded knowledge.
					Yes	Yes, feel very competent in that due to the program requirements.
Demonstrate knowledge of plants, including their; selection, placement, planting, maintenance, and plant health care.	6 100.00%	0	0	0		
					Yes	Woody Plants, and Herbaceous Plants were my two favorite classes. Learned a whole lot.
					Yes	Definitely, design projects can't be don't or properly created without the right knowledge of plant selections.
					Yes	Yes, very capable due to program requirements and extremely knowledgeable teacher (Joyce Cieleki)

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Demonstrate knowledge of turf grass management.	5 83.33%	1 16.67%	0	0		
					Yes	Turf.. do not like it. But I could tell you how to keep it alive and flourishing.
					No	I found this to be rather.... dull so my own interest in it wasn't there. There were a lot of new concepts that i didn't understand well so i feel that i didn't get as much from it as i should have.
Aggregate Assessment of Achievement	75 96.15%	3 3.85%	0	0		