

CPH Credit Policy



Accepted Course Material for Educational Activities

Basic horticulture knowledge, practices, or skills; in areas such as

- Botany, Propagation, Pruning, Growing, Planting
- Soils, Fertilizers, Composting, Weed Management, Water Quality
- Entomology, Plant Disease, Diagnosing Plant Problems, IPM
- Landscape Design, Plant Identification

Occupation-related and industry-relevant material, such as

- Nursery Operations and Growing, Pesticide Application, Arboriculture
- Turfgrass Management, Irrigation, Landscape Maintenance
- Site Planning and Development, Drainage, Permeable Paving
- Hardscapes, Water Features, Landscape Materials, Landscape Lighting
- Agricultural Horticulture, Orchards, Berry Crops, Vegetable Gardening, Houseplants

1. Attending a Seminar or Training Class

- Topics as defined under 'Accepted Course Material'
- For online course: pre-approval is recommended
- For college level class: See 6. "Attending a College Level Course for Credit"

Credit Policy: 1 hour = 1 CPH Education Credit

Examples Include:

- WSU horticulture-related seminar (1 hour = 1 credit)
- Green Gardening IPM Workshop (6 hours = 6 credits)
- WSU Low Impact Development (LID) Technical 2-Day Workshop (13 hours = 13 credits)
- Northwest Flower & Garden Show & Farwest Show Seminars (1 hour = 1 credit)
- AHS webinar (1 hour = 1 credit)
- WICA 2-Day Irrigation Design (12 hours = 12 credits)
- WSU 2-Day IPM Workshop, Turf Disease and Insect Diagnosis (12 hours = 12 credits)

2. Teaching or Speaking For Credit

- Instructing or training peers, horticultural workers, or
- Teaching homeowners in a classroom-like format
- Credit for the same class, event, or course material limited to twice per year
- Topics as defined under 'Accepted Course Material'

Credit Policy: 1 CPH Education Credit = 2 hours

Examples Include:

- Teaching company sponsored internal horticulture class (2 hours = 1 credit)
- Teaching WSNLA Plant Identification seminar series (12 hours = 6 credits)



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3. Authoring an Article for Credit

- Submission of horticulture-related article to a professional publication

Credit Policy: 1 to 3 CPH credits depending on complexity and length of article.

Examples Include:

- B&B article authoring and submission
- KPLU.org / NPR 'Around the House' article authoring and submission

4. Attending a Professional Meeting or Guided Tour for Credit

- Knowledge sharing in an industry-relevant area, or
- Instructional walkthrough or demonstration with a presentation and discussion of horticultural product, practices or skills

Credit Policy: ½ hour for 1st credit, 2 hours for each additional credit

Examples Include:

- WSNLA or WALP chapter meeting with a short educational activity (1 credit)
- Educational tour of a commercial greenhouse (3 hours = 2 credits)
- UWBG Arboreum Weekend Walk guided tour (1.5 hours = 1 credit)

5. Staffing of Garden Show, Horticultural Event or Clinic for Credit

- Interaction with homeowners or professionals at a horticultural event or volunteer activity
- Answering questions on plant identification, culture, plant problem diagnosis, or other horticultural topics

*Credit Policy: 2 hours * = 1 CPH Education Credit (* active, public interaction)*

Examples Include

- Northwest Flower & Garden Show Display Garden staffing (2 hours = 1 credit)
- Master Gardener Plant Clinic staffing (2 hours = 1 credit)
- Seattle Tilth Garden Hotline staffing (2 hours = 1 credit)

6. Attending a College Level Course

- Topics as defined under 'Accepted course material'

Credit Policy: 1 credit-hour = 3 CPH Education Credits (passing grade required)

Examples Include:

- LWTC, HORT 138 Topics in Arboriculture (3CR = 9 credits)
- S. Seattle CC, LHO 265 Landscape Contracts & Specifications (3CR = 9 credits)
- Edmonds CC, HORT 278 Landscape Construction Design (4CR = 12 credits)