

# Natural Landscaping

## SAMPLE Course Syllabus

### Course Schedule

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE, TIME, LOCATION</u>
Session 1: Introduction, Site Analysis	Tuesday, April 10, 6:00-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
<b>Session 2: Field Trip – Native Plant Communities</b>	Saturday, April 14, 1:00-4:00 Dungeness Recreation Area
Session 3: Designing with Natural Landscaping Principles	Tuesday, April 17, 6:00-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
<b>Session 4: Field Trip – Cultivated Natural Landscapes</b>	Saturday, April 21, 10:00-noon Sequim
Session 5: Planting & Maintenance, plus Special Topics	Tuesday, April 24, 6:00-8:30pm River Center, Sequim
<b>Session 6: Field Trip – Cultivated Natural Landscapes &amp; Stormwater Management</b>	Saturday, April 28, 10:00-noon Peninsula College Campus

### Course Overview

Natural Landscaping Course participants will learn how to evaluate the unique site conditions of their properties, develop landscape plans and identify plants appropriate for those conditions, and develop strategies for implementing their plans. Based on Permaculture principles and focusing on a naturalistic landscape style, the following design objectives are emphasized:

- Water conservation
- Stormwater management
- Use of native trees and shrubs in the residential landscape
- Wildlife habitat and biodiversity enhancement
- Natural yard care and other environmentally sound landscaping and maintenance practices

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### Materials Provided:

- ✓ *Grow Your Own Native Landscape* by Michael Leigh, 1997. Washington State University Extension.
- ✓ Three-ring binder of course handouts.

### Recommended Reading and Supplies:

- *Sustainable Landscaping for Dummies*. Owen Dell. 2009. Wiley Publishing, Inc.
- *Real Gardens Grow Natives*. Eileen Stark. 2014. Skipstone, Seattle, WA.
- Site plan or sketch of lot, including buildings. Tracing paper.

### Field Trips:

Saturday, April 14, 1:00-4:00 – Dungeness Recreation Area Plant Walk  
Saturday, April 21, 10:00-noon – Sequim Residence, Carrie Blake Park  
Saturday, April 28, 10:00-noon – Tour of Peninsula College campus