

Level 1 Practical Horticulture Skills



Course Overview

Horticulture is all about growing plants and working outdoors. You'll learn how to design and care for gardens, grow plants from seeds and cuttings, and look after different green spaces. People who work in horticulture use creativity and practical skills in places like garden centres, plant nurseries, landscaping businesses, farms, and public or historic gardens.

There is a growing need for skilled people in horticulture, which means this course can lead to exciting job opportunities in the future.

You'll learn by doing. Most of your time will be spent in realistic horticulture spaces, including:

- Gardens and flower beds
- Polytunnels
- Planting containers
- Lawns and outdoor areas

You'll work as part of a team to build your skills and confidence, just like in a real job. Classroom lessons will help you understand the science and theory behind what you are doing and prepare you for assessments. During the year, you'll also take part in trips and visits to see horticulture in action.

Please note: There will be opportunities to take part in work placements to help you gain real-world experience.

What You Will Study

On this course, you'll study a range of exciting topics that help you build real horticulture skills, including:

- Preparing soil and adding mulch to help plants grow
- Planting flowers, shrubs, and vegetables
- Designing and planning gardens
- Watering plants the right way
- Understanding soil type, structure, and pH
- Creating hanging baskets and container displays
- Planting bulbs and creating colourful displays
- Caring for gardens and planted areas
- Growing new plants from seeds and cuttings
- Growing your own fruit and vegetables
- Supporting plants as they grow
- Painting and protecting wooden garden structures
- Potting up plants and helping them grow on

START DATE

September

LEVEL

Level 1

STUDY MODE

Full-time

DURATION

1 year

AWARDING BODY

City & Guilds

LOCATION

Wakefield College



For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email **courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk**.

To learn more about Wakefield College, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website **www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk**.

Quick Links



**How to
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**Student
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**Virtual
Tours**

- Identifying common plants and weeds
- Cutting grass safely and correctly

How You Will Be Assessed

You'll complete short, easy-to-understand written questions to check your knowledge, and your tutor will also assess you while you carry out practical tasks to show what you can do.

Entry Requirements

3 GCSE's at Grade 9-1.

Further Study

On successful completion and with the required English and Maths grades you can progress through the levels.