

## **Dakota College at Bottineau Course Syllabus**

### **Course Prefix/Number/Title/Credits:**

FORS 255 Urban Trees and Shrubs 4 Credits

### **Course Description:**

Urban Trees and Shrubs is a study of the nomenclature, identification and landscape characteristics of trees and shrub most commonly found along urban streets, in parks, and in residential landscapes.

### **Course Objectives:**

Students will learn:

How to identify 166 different woody plants.

Both scientific and common names of each plant.

Landscape uses, hardiness, and growing requirements of each.

### **Instructor:**

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### **Office Hours:**

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### **Lecture/Lab Schedule:**

Lecture: MWF 1:00 – 1:50pm

Lab: Th 1:00 – 2:50pm

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**Textbook:**

Manual of Woody Landscape Plants  
6<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Michael A. Dirr  
ISBN: 978-1-58874-868-3

**Course Requirements:**

Attendance is required for all lectures and labs.

12 quizzes worth 40 - 50 points each.  
Final test worth 225-250 points.  
Final project worth 375 points.

Approximately 1150 points total.

Grading will be on the 90-80-70-60% grading scale.

**Tentative Course Outline:**

Week 1  
Introduction  
Pre-test

Week 2  
Acer - Buxus

Week 3  
Acer - Buxus

Week 4  
Caragana - Fraxinus

Week 5  
Caragana - Fraxinus

Week 6  
Genista - Physocarpus

Week 7  
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Week 8  
Phellodendron- Salix

Week 9  
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Week 10  
Sambucus – Weigela

Week 11  
Sambucus - Weigela

Weeks 12 - 14  
Conifers

Week 15  
Review

Week 16  
Final Test

### **Relationship to Campus Theme: Nature, Technology and Beyond**

In Urban Trees and Shrubs we will study trees and shrubs used in landscapes, or occurring in their **Natural** habitat. We will make extensive use of **Technology** as we search the internet for pictures of many trees and shrubs. Learning will also take place **Beyond** the classroom, in the form of identification walks on campus and in the community.

### **Classroom Policies:**

Please turn the ringer off of all cell phones. If a message is urgent, leave the classroom to take the call.

### **Student Email Policy:**

Dakota College at Bottineau is increasingly dependent upon email as an official form of communication. A student's campus-assigned email address will be the only one recognized by the campus for official mailings. The liability for missing or not acting upon important information conveyed via campus email rests with the student.

### **Academic Integrity:**

Collaboration among students during class projects is encouraged, however all assignments must consist of the students own work. Any instance of copying another student's files and trying to pass them off as your own will result in an automatic "F" for the project, and a possible "F" for the course.

### **Disabilities and Special Needs:**

If you have a disability for which you need accommodation, contact the Learning Center to request disability support services. Thatcher Hall 1104; 701-228-5477 or toll-free 1-888-918-5623.