



Summer Field Course in Organic Farming & Gardening

- WSU Summer Session -

Practicum in Organic Agriculture (Soils 480)

Tukey Horticulture Orchard, Airport Rd., Pullman - Instructor: Brad Jaeckel

This new field course offers students a hands-on educational experience in the practice of organic agriculture. The course will take place on a 3-acre organic farm at Tukey Orchard on the WSU campus in Pullman.

6 Credit Course Offered
2005 Summer Session:

May 9 to July 29
Monday–Thursday
8:00 am to 1:00 pm

In-person interviews
with the instructor are
required for
admission into the
course.

Available for Continuing
Education Units.

The overall goals of the course include the following:

- To develop the production skills needed to manage an organic market garden or farm or greenhouse
 - To understand the applied science and market performance of an agricultural operation
 - To recognize the ecological interactions between plants, soils, microclimate, insects and pests
 - To enhance critical thinking skills such as being able to assess and address insect pest, weed & disease management issues
 - To appreciate the value and importance of the local food system and food security
 - To develop leadership skills by facilitating group projects and discussions
 - To understand how organic agriculture is a viable alternative to the conventional model of agriculture
 - To participate in the marketing of Certified Organic fruit, vegetables, herbs & flowers for the Pullman Food Bank, on-campus dining service, a CSA and a local farmers market
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The course is appropriate for upper-level students of any discipline who have some basic gardening or farming experience.

The work is rigorous—both physically and academically—and will require a great commitment in order to ensure success.



Limited enrollment. For information on how to sign up, contact Brad at jaeckel@wsu.edu or 208-892-0655!