Go Native U
Fall 2013 Course Schedule

Core Classes:

**Plant Identification in the Field**
Move outside the classroom to learn how to identify plants using a taxonomic key. Try your skills in the field by exploring the demonstration gardens of The Native Plant Center and the grounds of the college campus. A field guide with dichotomous key is required; e-mail the instructor at Jessica.a.schuler@gmail.com for suggested titles.
CE-GRDN 2023, 1 Sat., Sept. 21, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, CLA-100, $55. J Schuler. #82680

**Northeastern Native Plants in Our Landscapes**
This course provides a comprehensive foundation for garden design using regionally native plants. Learn about the importance of native plants, their benefits to wildlife, showy substitutes for favorite non-native plants, the concern surrounding invasive species, sustainable design concepts, and more.
CE-GRDN 2010, 3 Wed., Oct. 2-16, 6:30-8:30 pm, CLA-100, $130. C Summers. #82712

**Native Woody Plants**
Explore the best woody native plants for this region along with the latest techniques for establishing them in the landscape.
CE-GRDN 2009, 2 Thurs., Oct. 3 & 10, 6:00-8:00 pm, CLA-100, $100. J Schuler. #82681

Elective Classes:

**Native Plant Alternatives to Turf**
Learn how to vastly improve the ecology of residential or commercial landscapes by replacing “green deserts” of lawns or turf with native alternatives. Find out how to analyze and prepare a site, and which native plants are appropriate for particular conditions. Suitable native grasses, groundcovers, meadows, and mixed plantings will be discussed.
CE-GRDN 2026, 2 Mon., Sept. 16 & 23, 1:00-
Goldenrod Field Study
Learn the basics of taxonomy in identifying the goldenrod (Solidago) family, a ubiquitous fall favorite. Then try your skills in the field by exploring the demonstration gardens of The Native Plant Center and the grounds of the college campus.
CE-GRDN 2035, 1 Thurs., Sept. 26, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, CLA-100, $55. M Fabel. #82684

NEW! Advanced Plant Identification in the Field
Spend time in the field practicing the use of taxonomic plant identification keys using field guides and discussions. Prerequisite: Plant Identification in the Field or equivalent coursework in botany. Meet in the Lady Bird Johnson Demonstration Garden on the college campus. This class will be held outdoors for the full two hours to botanize! Please dress appropriately and bring umbrellas if it is raining.
CE-GRDN 2050, 1 Sat., Sept. 28, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, $55. J Schuler. #83388

NEW! NY Wetlands: Balancing Ecology, Laws, and Aesthetics
Discover the inland wetlands communities of New York. Explore how the state and municipalities define wetlands and how the laws impact projects within and surrounding wetlands. Learn how to select appropriate native plants for a site and how to control invasive plants common to wetlands.
CE-GRDN 2049, 2 Wed., Oct. 2 & 9, 6:00-7:30 pm, Room TBD, $80 (+ $5 materials fee, payable to instructor). K Turoczi. #83390

NEW! Aster Field Study
Asters play an important role in sustaining the biodiversity of the Northeast, supporting more than 100 species of moths and butterflies. Learn to recognize and identify the native asters common in regional woodlands, then try your skills in the field by exploring the
demonstration gardens of The Native Plant Center and the grounds of the college campus.

CE-GRDN 2051, 1 Thurs., Oct. 3, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, Room TBD, $55. M Fabel. #83460

Ecological Design
Re-imagine a new landscape design for small or large sites or a restoration of an existing site using the concept of native plant communities.

CE-GRDN 2029, 1 Thurs., Oct. 10, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, CLA-100, $55. E Katoni. #82682

NEW! Native Bugs in your Garden
Get to know the common native insects and arthropods of the area. Learn the basics of identification, the habits and life cycles of some of the ones associated with native plants, the differences between pest and non-pest species, and how to attract native insects to your garden.

Discover how to create habitat niches, including for the many native bee species, and find out about “bug houses” that help to increase insect diversity in a garden.

CE-GRDN 2046, 2 Mon., Nov. 4 & 11, 7:00-8:30 pm, Room TBD, $80. L Forcella. #83389

SPECIAL EVENT
Back to School with Go Native U: An Introduction to Native Plants
October 4, 2013
Earn up to 6 hours of LA-CES approved credits in a single day!
A great way to jump-start your certificate!
Location: Classroom Building, Room 100, Park in Lot #4
Register for all three sessions or just one or two!
Call 914-606-6830, option 1, to register now.

Schedule:
10:00 am–12:00 noon: Native Plant Communities
12:00 noon–12:45 pm: Lunch (on your own)
12:45 pm–2:45 pm: Native Perennials: Summer/Fall
2:45–3:00 pm: Break
3:00–5:00 pm: Native Conifers

Native Plant Communities
Discover the various native plant communities found in the Northeast and metropolitan region.
CE-GRDN 2013, E Katoni. $55. #83457

Native Perennials: Summer/Fall
Learn about the many herbaceous native plants that will enhance your garden and also provide food and shelter for native bees, butterflies, birds, and more.
CE-GRDN 2016, B Fischer. $55. #83458

**Native Conifers**
Explore the beauty and diversity of conifers native to the Northeast, including the numerous cultivated forms and varieties. Learn how to identify these conifers, the many ways they support wildlife, and their use in designed landscapes.
CE-GRDN 2019, C Summers. $55. #83459