

CULTIVATING SUCCESS: SUSTAINABLE SMALL FARMING & RANCHING COURSE

This program provides beginning and existing agricultural entrepreneurs with the planning and decision-making tools, practical information, and support necessary to develop a sustainable, small-scale agricultural enterprise. The course includes guest lectures by farmers and other community resource experts, field trips to local farms and other agricultural venues, classroom discussion and the opportunity to form farmer-student/farmer-farmer mentoring relationships. This class is a unique community-based education program where you will learn about whole farm planning, direct marketing, soils management, crop & livestock production systems, enterprise budgets, integrated pest & weed management, and much more!



WHEN: Tuesday Nights
6:00PM - 9:00PM, Sept. 17 - Dec. 3
(there will be some Saturday field trips)

WHERE: Olympia, WA

COST: Class size is limited and pre-paid registration is required. Cost for the 12-week course is \$275 for 2 persons representing an agricultural enterprise or household.

Visit smallfarms.brownpapertickets.com to register with your credit card.

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Sustainable Small Farming & Ranching...

- Combines classroom and on-farm learning experiences
- Presents opportunities to get “the real dirt” from local farmers
- Offers tours of successful local farm and market operations
- The chance to meet and learn about key community resources people
- Explores internet resources to provide critical production and marketing information
- Builds a network of resource people and connections

Students will experience...

- How to apply successful whole farm management principles to your small farm operation
- How to farm in the most environmentally sustainable manner possible
- How to identify and profit from trends in the marketplace
- How to assess the feasibility of a potential on-farm enterprise

What students are saying about Cultivating Success...

“ Good base to jump off into a small farm operation.

Gave me a quick and thorough exposure to a lot of business ideas.

Gave me great ideas and info. ”

Course topics include...

Sustainability Concepts
Whole Farm Planning
Resource Evaluation
Direct Marketing
Enterprise Assessment
Sustainable Crop Production
Ecological Soils Management
Integrated Pest & Weed Management
Sustainable Livestock & Poultry
Grazing Management
Equipment & Facilities
Enterprise Budgets
Tools for Whole Farm Success

