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# HORTICULTURE

Horticulture is the science and art of growing flowers, ornamental plants, lawns, gardens, fruits or vegetables. Career in food production, plant propagation, land conservation/restoration, landscape and garden design.


## AHC30716 Certificate III in Horticulture


CRICOS (092542G) / Duration: 52 weeks

For complete course information refer to [ironwood.edu.au](http://ironwood.edu.au)

Employment Pathways:

- » Gardener
- » Horticulturist

 Quarterly Intakes

 Flexible Payment Plans

Ironwood Institute does not guarantee an employment outcome, licence, or accreditation at the completion of these qualifications.

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## Qualification Description

This qualification provides a general vocational outcome in amenity horticulture. Certificate III in Horticulture includes classroom and practical training and assessment to develop skills and knowledge in crop/plant selection, cultivation, management of soil, irrigation, fertilizers, weeds, control of pests and diseases, handling of chemicals and work health and safety procedures (WHS).

No occupational licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

### Units of Competency (Units)

Total Units = 16 Core units = 5 Elective units = 11

1. AHCWHS301 Contribute to work health and safety processes (Core)
2. AHPCPM302 Provide information on plants and their culture (Core)
3. AHCPMG301 Control weeds (Core)
4. AHCPMG302 Control plant pests, diseases and disorders (Core)
5. AHCSOL303 Implement soil improvements for garden and turf areas (Core)
6. AHCWRK309 Apply environmentally sustainable work practices (Elective)
7. AHCSOL301 Prepare growing media (Elective)
8. AHCCHM304 Transport and store chemicals (Elective)
9. AHCCHM303 Prepare and apply chemicals (Elective)
10. AHCPGD303 Perform specialist amenity pruning (Elective)
11. AHCIRG306 Troubleshoot irrigation systems (Elective)
12. AHCNSY301 Maintain nursery plants (Elective)
13. AHCBIO305 Apply biosecurity measures (Elective)

14. AHCNSY306 Implement a propagation plan (Elective)
15. AHPCPM301 Implement a plant nutrition program (Elective)
16. AHCNSY305 Prepare specialised plants (Elective)

For further details about each unit of competency please refer to: [training.gov.au/Training/Details/AHC30716](https://training.gov.au/Training/Details/AHC30716)

### Intake dates – 2022

10 Jan, 4 Apr, 27 Jun, 19 Sep

### Duration

The course is delivered in 52 weeks (one year).

Full time study for 40 weeks and a break period of 12 weeks between 4 study terms. Each study term is approximately 10 weeks long.

The scheduled contact study per week is 20 hours.

The classes are scheduled per study week for two full days (09 am to 05 pm) and third half day (either 09 am to 01 pm or 01 pm to 5 pm, as scheduled). There is also an additional 10 hours of self-study per study week for students.

Class times and days are subject to change after providing 2 weeks' notice to the students.

## Entry Requirements

- » **Age:** applicants must be 18 years or older at the time of course commencement.
- » **Academic:** applicants must have completed Australian year 12 or equivalent overseas qualifications
- » **English proficiency:** overseas applicants are required to demonstrate English language proficiency by one of the following options:
  - » Overall English language tests results: IELTS 5.5, with no band less than 5.0, or equivalent on PTE, CAE or TOEFL iBT.
  - » Certificate of completion from an Australian Senior Secondary School
  - » Certificate of completion from an Australian Qualification at a Certificate III level or above, within the last two years prior to the application
  - » Have completed at least 5 years of study in English medium in one or more of the following countries: Australia, UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland
  - » Upper-Intermediate level certificate from an Australian ELICOS provider

**All students are also required to undertake an Ironwood Institute Internal English test prior to course commencement.**

## Pre-requisites

Nil

## Fees

For detailed fee and refund information, please see our website:

[ironwood.edu.au](http://ironwood.edu.au)

## Course Type:

Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Qualification

## Mode of Delivery

Face to Face

## Location of Delivery

*Classroom site:*

- Ironwood Institute: Level 3, 68 Grenfell Street, Adelaide, SA 5000

*Practical site:*

- Adelaide City Council Nursery:  
War Memorial Dr, North Adelaide SA 5006

- Adelaide Plant Growers:  
594, States Road, Onkaparinga Hills SA 5163.

- St Laurence Priory:

134 Buxton Street, North Adelaide, SA 5006

The Institute does not provide transportation to sites and it is student's responsibility to get there on time on practical training days either on bus or at their own transport medium.

## Assessment Methods

Assessment methods may include but are not limited to: observation/ demonstration of practical skills, case studies, written reports, presentations, written/oral tests, question and answer, work samples.

## Qualification

On successful completion of this course you are awarded an AHC30716 Certificate III in Horticulture Certificate. Students who successfully complete only one or more units of competency within this Qualification will receive a Statement of Attainment. (By enrolling in this course, Ironwood Institute does not guarantee a learner will successfully complete and receive the qualification).

## Qualification Pathways

Certificate III in Landscape Construction, Certificate III in Arboriculture, Certificate IV in Horticulture, Certificate IV in Sports Turf Management, Certificate IV in Parks and Gardens, Certificate IV in Nursery Operations, Diploma of Horticulture.

## Employment Opportunities

Job roles and titles vary across different industry sectors.

- » Horticulturist
- » Gardener

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## Material and Equipment Required

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is compulsory for this course. Students can purchase through Ironwood Institute at the cost of AUD \$373.00

- Safety boots
- Broad-brimmed hat
- Garden gloves
- High visibility jacket
- High visibility cotton shirt
- Cotton drill cargo trousers
- Safety Glasses
- Secateurs

## Consumer Protection

The [ESOS legislation](#) provides consumer protection to all enrolled students at Ironwood Institute. The written agreement, and the right to make complaints and seek appeals of decisions and action under various processes, does not affect the rights of the student to take action under the Australian Consumer Law if the Australian Consumer Law applies.

## Support Services

[ironwood.edu.au/international/student-support](http://ironwood.edu.au/international/student-support)

## Obligations and Rights of Learners

[ironwood.edu.au/international/rights-and-responsibilities](http://ironwood.edu.au/international/rights-and-responsibilities)

## Institute Policies and Procedures

[ironwood.edu.au/international/policies-procedures](http://ironwood.edu.au/international/policies-procedures)

## Work-based Training

Not applicable

## Work Placement

Not applicable

## Overseas Students Health Cover

It is a condition of student visas that international students and accompanying dependents hold a valid Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the entire duration of their study in Australia. The OSHC rate will vary depending on the personal circumstances and duration of stay in Australia.

A list of approved providers can be found on: [privatehealth.gov.au](http://privatehealth.gov.au)

To know more about OSHC, please visit the website: [immi.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au)





“ “ The practical classes help to me become familiar with the horticulture field. The school’s network also helps to get jobs in the area.

*Artur Moura from Brazil, Horticulture student, working at Pitchford Produce.*

## Why Ironwood Institute

Australian national accredited qualifications

Strong student support

Great training facilities

Pathways to Universities

Industry trained academic staff

Individual learning approach

## Why Adelaide

Affordable cost of living

Cultural hub of Australia

Large city with a friendly heart

Mild climate

Public transport discounts

City with hills, beaches & wineries

## Why study Horticulture in Adelaide, SA

South Australia is known globally for its premium food and wine, produced sustainably in a clean and safe environment.

Studying horticulture in such an environment will equip you with the world best industry skills, knowledge and practice.

Adelaide Hills  
Apples, pears, cherries and strawberries

Riverland  
Citrus, stone fruit and almonds

Adelaide Plains  
Greenhouses and protected cropping

Wine Regions  
Barossa Valley, McLaren Vale, the Coonawarra and Clare Valley

## How to apply

You can apply online or download the application form in pdf at [www.ironwood.edu.au/apply](http://www.ironwood.edu.au/apply)

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