

Course cost:

Fees are applicable however if you are a school pupil these will be waived.

Benefits and progression:

The course is an excellent introduction to the Horticulture sector.

Example progression opportunities with SRUC are as follows but by no means limited to these.



NC Introduction to Horticulture

NC Horticulture or Horticulture with Landscaping

HNC / HND Horticulture

HND Horticulture with Plantsmanship

HNC/HND Garden Design

BSc Hons Garden and Greenspace Design

Potential Career Destinations from full-time SRUC courses:

Garden Design, Retail (Garden Centres/Florists), Landscaping, Greenkeeping/Golf, Maintenance of public/private gardens, Botanical Gardens, Conservation work for organisations such as NTS or NatureScot, Local Authority land maintenance.

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HORTICULTURE
NATIONAL PROGRESSION AWARDS

Who is the course for:

Designed to be an introduction to the horticulture industry, showcasing the variety of activities, skills and careers in this vibrant and topical industry. Students will be introduced to how plants are produced, grown, and used – from the production of new plants to establishing and maintaining them, and on to designing and creating plant displays. The course includes plant identification so that students can correctly state which plants are grown where and why and learn how to undertake scale drawing so that basic design plans can be prepared.

Students will also investigate an area of the Scottish Horticultural industry that interests them, whether that is horticultural science, design, plant production, retail, plant conservation and more. Students will also get the chance to get their hands dirty during supervised practical sessions at SRUC campuses where they will learn the fundamental skills of a budding horticulturalist.

Which topics are covered:

The course comprises 3 Units

Example units:

- **Soft Landscaping: General Plantings**
- **Horticultural Skills**
- **Rural Business Investigation**

**Duration:**

September – April.

Each unit is delivered over 12 weeks and it is anticipated that students will take 3 hours of study per week to complete activities. An additional 1 hour per week of live tutor support via an online platform is available. Two units will also expect students to undertake some supervised practical activities at a specific campus or other approved site (details on application). Students will undertake 120 hours in total.

Available to:

S4, S5, and S6.

**Delivery:**

This course will be delivered by distance learning via an online platform with self directed activities and online tutorial support. There will be some additional immersive practical days carried out on campus/in school or other approved site (to be discussed with individual schools and SRUC campuses based on location).