Minor in Horticulture with a Focus in the Botanical Arts
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Cornell University

Description
Horticulture is the art and science of cultivating plants. The Minor Program of Study in Horticulture with a special focus in the botanical arts aims to increase students’ knowledge and skills in the intersection between horticulture and art for the purpose of improving the quality of life for individuals and communities, and for strengthening the student’s command of the creative process. A Minor in Horticulture with this special focus can complement numerous areas of study. It can provide a creative balance to other study, as well as prepare the student from a distinctive interdisciplinary perspective. Creative insight is the cornerstone of advancement in science and as such, students with this minor study will be uniquely prepared for inspired and original thinking.

Horticulture Sciences Core
To satisfy the requirements for the Minor in Horticulture with a special focus in plant-based art, the minor candidate must successfully complete these two required courses for the Horticulture Minor from the Horticulture Sciences core (7 credits) below.

- PLHRT 1101: Horticultural Science and Systems
- PLHRT 1115: Nature of Plants OR PLBIO 1450: The Art of Plant Anatomy

In addition, students must complete the requirements of 8 additional credits in the following:

- PLHRT 2010: The Art of Horticulture, (resumes Fall 2016)
- PLHRT 3250: Intensive Study in Botanical Illustration, taught via 3 robust auto-tutorial courses with occasional meetings, in one concentrated semester, (spring semesters in even years beginning 2014, 4 credits). This intensive study is only available for horticulture minors with a focus in plant-based art.
- PLHRT 4970: Individual Study (1 - 2 credits, fall, spring). A creative capstone project which integrates the student’s learnings, and offers the chance to produce original work. This could include, but is not limited to, further expansion on the portfolio created during the intensive study in botanical illustration; preparation for a gallery exhibition; exhibition of living sculpture; deep exploration of another facet of art and horticulture not examined thus far.

All courses must be taken for a letter grade, and a grade of "C" or better must be received to count toward the minor. Any undergraduate student, except those majoring in Plant Sciences, may enroll in the minor.

Transfer Students
Transfer students are encouraged to apply for a minor in horticulture with this special emphasis during their first semester on campus. An initial meeting with the horticultural arts minor advisor will help determine if a student is able to take the necessary credits or has equivalencies that can be applied to satisfy the program requirements.

How to receive credit for the Minor Program of Study in Horticulture with a special arts focus:

- Meet with Marcia Eames-Sheavly (ME14@cornell.edu), 169 Plant Science Bldg. to discuss your interests in and commitment to the horticultural/botanical/plant-based arts.
- Submit a copy of the horticulture minor application form to Marcia Eames-Sheavly.
- Retain a copy for your records and give your major advisor a copy for your file.
- Complete the courses required for the horticulture minor.
- In the final semester prior to graduation, bring a copy of your transcript and your “Application to Graduate” to Professor Eames-Sheavly. Upon verification of the successful completion of all requirements, Professor Eames-Sheavly will sign the form required for the minor.

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Leah Cook, Chair’s Assistant in Horticulture LCC2@cornell.edu; 607-255-4568
Application for Admission to Minor Program of Study

Student’s name: ________________________________________________________
Major: ___________________________ College: __________________
Cell phone #:_________________________ E-mail:____________________________
Home Address: _________________________________________________________

Advisor’s name_____________________________ Department: _________________
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