

# 11:550:235 Herbaceous Plants in the Landscape

Department of Landscape Architecture

RUTGERS – The State University of New Jersey

School of Environmental and Biological Sciences: Fall 2022

Wednesday: 5:40-8:40 + *Mandatory Saturday Field Trips* (Wave Hill, Chanticleer, Longwood, Mt. Cuba

Center/ North Creek Nursery, Willowood Arboretum/Frelinghuysen Arboretum, Leonard J. Buck Garden, Rutgers Gardens—transportation details to be figured out in class)

## Course Information:

Course credits 3

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## Books (Recommended but not required)

*Herbaceous Perennials* by Allan Armitage

*Armitage's Garden Perennials* by Allan Armitage

*Armitage's Native Plants* by Allan Armitage

*The Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses for the Livable Landscape* by Rick Darke

*The Color Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses and Selected Bamboos* by Rick Darke

*Encyclopedia of Tropical Plants for Temperate Gardens* by Will Giles

## Class Description:

The course is devoted to the identification and landscape use of herbaceous plants, including hardy perennials, annuals and tropicals. The class will explore the ornamental assets as well as the cultural and design considerations of how to incorporate these plants into the garden or landscape. The class includes Saturday field trips to several public gardens in NJ, NY and PA.

## Learning Objectives:

1. Provide a foundation and knowledge of herbaceous plants.
2. Emphasize plants that will create seasonal interest through color, texture and form.

The course will also enhance and reinforce design considerations that have been taught in other courses as well as understanding proper maintenance and other cultural considerations.

## Testing and Grades:

25% Weekly quizzes online (Canvas Website)

20% Plant Identification exam

25% You-Tube video (you select topic)

30% Final Exam

A 100-90

C+ 79-77

F 59 and below

B+ 89-87

C 76-70

B 86-80

D 69-60