SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
RIVERHEAD, NEW YORK  

FALL 2004  
COURSE OUTLINE  

Course Title: Annuals & Perennials  
Catalog #: HO47  
Section #: 6593  
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Textbook: *Herbaceous Ornamental Plants* and *Taylor’s Guide to Perennials*.  

Objectives:  
1. In terms of life cycles, contrast the differences between annuals, perennials and biennials.  
2. Define the terminology used with annuals and perennials when describing their growth, flower and flower characteristics.  
3. Describe how to develop a sequence of bloom garden using annuals and perennials.  
4. Describe the growth, use and cultural characteristics of commonly used annuals and perennials.  
5. Describe how to properly maintain a perennial garden in terms of fertilizing, watering, dividing, insect, disease and weed control.  
6. Given a particular growing site, such as sun, shade, moist or dry soil, select annuals and perennials for that site.  
7. Using a knowledge of herbaceous plants, design suitable plantings meeting specific site requirements.  
8. Determine the costs of buying and planting annuals and perennials for a given landscape.  
9. Identify sources of annuals and perennials - both retail and wholesale.  
10. Describe basic production techniques used in growing selected annuals and perennials.  

Course Presentation:  
- Slides, filmstrips, text  
- Specimens  
- Field Trips  
- Landscape plans for development of annual and perennial gardens  

The text and slides will be used extensively as a reference when designing with annuals and perennials. When various plants are presented in class, information regarding their cultural requirements will also be given. It is hoped that the student will begin to learn the identification of these plants, as well as their care and use in the landscape.  

Grading:  
- 2 Exams. .......................... 20%  
- Quizzes (lowest dropped)........ 50%  
- Garden Designs................... 20%  
- Final Project..................... 10%  
  100%
The final project will consist of a garden design of herbaceous plants. The needed quantities, sources and prices for the plants, as well as the completed design will be required. This project will be presented on the last day of class.

**Student Requirements:**
- No make-up of classes due to absences. Student absences totaling more than 6 hours will be cause to drop the student from the course.
- The designs and the project must be handed in on time. No late assignments accepted.