

Landscape Architecture & Horticulture

Tyler's landscape architecture and horticulture programs trace back to the Pennsylvania School of Horticulture for Women, founded at Ambler in 1911. Through an ecological science-based approach to planning, design, development, plant cultivation, and care of the land, the programs in Landscape Architecture and Horticulture promote the development of skills to improve the quality of urban, suburban, and rural communities. The unique curricula integrate horticulture and landscape architecture. For courses on the Ambler campus, the curriculum utilizes the 187-acre Temple University Ambler Arboretum and state-of-the-art greenhouse facilities as a living laboratory for learning. Undergraduate programs include baccalaureate degree programs in landscape architecture and horticulture; a two-year Associate in Science degree in horticulture, minors in environmental horticulture and landscape studies; and certificates in horticulture. A Master of Landscape Architecture is also offered. Both the Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture and the Master of Landscape Architecture are accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board.

Courses for Landscape Architecture and Horticulture programs are offered at the Ambler Campus with a portion of the coursework also available on Temple's Main and Center City campuses. The programs have access to the Ambler Arboretum at Temple University and The Temple University Field Station at Ambler. Faculty and students use these resources in coursework and research. For more information see: <https://ambler.temple.edu/arboretum> and <https://ambler.temple.edu/fieldstation>.

Careers in horticulture and landscape architecture are available in both the public and private sector.

For landscape architecture graduates, there are a variety of employment options including:

- Careers in the public sector in landscape architecture design and management positions. These might be affiliated with regional, county, or city planning commissions.
- Careers in private practice including the design of open space in relation to recreational, residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial projects, as well as the overall planning of new communities.
- Work on parks, recreation, trails, and open space planning and design.
- Work in environmental protection, historic preservation, landscape restoration, land reclamation, and green infrastructure.

Graduates with a degree in horticulture could be involved in the production, use, installation, and management of plants. They may:

- Work in public horticulture in arboreta, botanic gardens, parks, or golf courses.
- Teach in a high school, community college, or at the university level.
- Pursue an advanced degree and conduct research in plant propagation or stormwater management.
- Produce plants in greenhouses and nurseries for sale and landscape use.
- Design, install, and/or maintain residential, commercial, or public landscapes.
- Research new technologies and plants in private and public institutions.
- Work toward registration as a horticultural therapist.
- Write about plants and horticulture for articles, books, and copy on web sites.
- Work as an extension agent or specialist helping residential and commercial clients.
- Work in interior landscaping or floral design.
- Work as a sales representative for horticultural or allied industries.
- Own and operate their own business.

Continuing Studies

The Department offers a variety of credit courses and certificate programs. These courses and certificates are available to degree-seeking students as well as others interested in horticulture. For many, these courses are a means of advancing careers; for others, they are a source of personal enrichment. It is also possible, over a period of years, to complete all of the requirements for some credit certificate programs and for the associate's and the bachelor's degrees in Horticulture by attending late afternoon, evening, and weekend classes.

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Programs

- Associate in Science in Horticulture
- Bachelor of Science in Horticulture
- Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture
- Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture with Concentration in Horticulture