



Spring 2024 In-Person Master Gardener Course Overview

Thank you for your interest in the Coconino Master Gardener Course.

Dates and Times

The class will run from January 23rd through May 7th. This course will meet in-person on Tuesdays from 1:00-4:30 pm. Classes will be held at the Coconino County Health and Human Services Building, 2625 N. King St., Flagstaff. Weather permitting, we may have two to three field trips.

Coconino Master Gardener Certification (Fee: \$225)

Coconino Certified Master Gardener Volunteers are trained in researched-based home horticulture practices in order to serve their communities through gardening education centered on volunteerism. The Master Gardener program is one of the largest volunteer programs in the country, with over 83,000 volunteers nationwide.

Requirements to become a Certified Arizona Master Gardener Volunteer

- Appreciate volunteerism and serving your community through education and environmental stewardship
- Enjoy helping others by sharing your horticultural knowledge
- Attend each weekly class and complete weekly quizzes or assignments
- Pass the final exam with a score of 70% or higher
- Complete Designated Campus Colleague (DCC) or Extension Designated Campus Colleague (EDCC) training through the University of Arizona
- Contribute 50 gardening-related volunteer service hours within 13 months of completion of the course
- Commit to 6 additional education hours plus 12 volunteer hours after initial certification to maintain your Arizona Master Gardener Certification each year

If this doesn't sound like the right class for you and you are not interested or able to volunteer, consider taking the Arizona Cooperative Extension Home Horticulture Certificate. (Fee: \$325) Dates and times are the same but there is no volunteer requirement.

Note: Course fee does not include the Arizona Master Gardener Manual, which may be ordered online for \$55 plus shipping. Currently, the manual is not available online.

The Coconino Master Gardener Program offers many volunteer opportunities with Coconino Cooperative Extension including answering gardening questions, teaching classes, or assisting with workshops. You can also volunteer with the Coconino Master Gardener Association with meetings, presentations, the Grow Flagstaff! Seed Library, writing for the Arizona Daily Sun, and more. You can volunteer at several non-profit organizations such as the Arboretum at Flagstaff, Olivia White Hospice Home Garden, and the Museum of Northern Arizona. There are also opportunities at local schools, state and national parks, and community gardens.

Absences and Refund Policy

You will be expected to attend all classes, but you may miss two of the fifteen classes. Once you have been paid your course fee, there will be no refund.

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