

Winterbourne Centre for Horticulture – Application Form

Please complete this form which will be reviewed by the Learning Officer and tutors before your place can be confirmed. You can submit this application form by email attachment, by post or in person at Winterbourne reception.

Course Details

Course Title(s):
Start Date: _____ September 2025 Day of week:
Fee: Costs can be found at the end of this document. A non-refundable deposit will be required to reserve your place on the course once your offer of a place has been confirmed. Places on courses cannot be reserved until this payment is received. The remainder of the course fee will be due before the start of the course. Where time allows, this can be broken into two separate payments.

Personal Details

Title		Preferred pronouns	
First Name(s)			
Last Name			
Date of Birth			
Address (including Postcode)			
Email address			
Phone number			

Further information

Where did you hear about this course?	
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Additional Needs and Health

Do you have any disabilities or additional needs? (Please circle)	Yes No
If yes, please provide details and information about any additional support requirements you may need.	
This information will be treated in the strictest confidence and does not form part of the selection process. We are collecting this data to ensure support needs are identified and extra support is provided where possible. If you have any additional needs or support requirements, it is important to indicate these at this stage.	
A note regarding physical fitness: Please be aware that the Certificates in Practical Horticulture are hands-on courses and will require some physical exertion, for example digging. RHS policy states that you must be physically capable to carry out these activities.	

Please use extra pages if needed

Qualifications, Training and Awards

Subject	Level	Grade and Date

Employment and Work Experience

Place of work and dates	Nature of work

Personal Statement

Please use this space to explain why you would like to join this course and, where relevant, your career goals. For the Winterbourne Certificate in Garden Design, and the RHS Level 3 Certificate, please make sure you include information about any previous horticultural studies.

Declaration

By submitting this application you:

- Agree to Winterbourne Centre for Horticulture processing personal data contained in this form;
- Agree to the processing of such data for any purpose connected with your studies or your health, welfare and safety, or any other legitimate reason;
- Confirm that the information given in this application is correct to the best of your knowledge.

Signed:

How will we deal with your application?

There are no formal entry requirements for RHS Level 2 qualifications, but we do expect your application to contain a personal statement which demonstrates your enthusiasm for horticulture. Application forms will be dealt with in order of receipt. The RHS Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture is usually particularly competitive, so it is essential you provide details of your gardening experience.

For the RHS Level 3 applicants, and those wishing to take the Winterbourne Certificate in Garden Design, you will need to show knowledge or experience equivalent to level 2 studies.

Your application will be processed at the earliest opportunity by the Learning Officer but may take several weeks to process. Once your application form has been received and accepted, a place will be offered. A deposit will be required to accept your place offer. If there are any questions from your application, the Learning Officer will be in touch with you before sending a place offer.

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Deadlines will be set for paying deposits. Complete payments must be made before the start of your studies.

Costs for 2025 -26 academic year:

Places on courses cannot be reserved until this payment is received. The remainder of the course fee will be due before the start of the course. Where time allows, this can be broken into two separate payments.

Course Title	Course Fees	Deposit Amount	Second Payment	Final Payment
RHS Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Plant Growth and Development	£1305	£550	£380	£375
RHS Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture	£1755	£550	£615	£590
RHS Level 3 Certificate in Practical Horticulture	£2095	£550	£775	£770
Winterbourne Certificate in Garden Design	£1470	£550	£460	£460

Return your completed application by email to winterbourne.applications@contacts.bham.ac.uk if possible. Alternatively return it by post to Learning Officer, Winterbourne House and Garden, University of Birmingham, 58 Edgbaston Park Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2RT; or in person to a member of staff at the Winterbourne reception.