

Course title	Practical Training I			
Course code	GALA1205			
Course type	Practical Training			
Level	Higher Diploma			
Year / Semester	1 st Year / 2 nd Semester			
Teacher's name	Dr Demetrios Sarris			
ECTS	6	Lectures / week		Laboratories / week
Course purpose and objectives	<p>Practical Training I aims to provide the students with the opportunity to apply the theoretical knowledge, skills, and competencies they have acquired in real-world situations in the field of landscaping and garden design. It focuses on the development of practical skills related to garden design, plant care, and garden management. This includes tasks such as planting, plant maintenance, space design, and the use of tools. Practical training also aids in building a network of professional relationships, which can be valuable for future career opportunities.</p> <p>Practical Training has an educational focus, with its implementation being crucial and aligned with the subject matter of gardening and landscaping. It is primarily aimed at applying the knowledge gained during the students' studies and further training/specialisation and the development of skills necessary for this field.</p> <p>Practical Training I is carried out in close collaboration with the supervising professor.</p>			
Learning outcomes	<p>Upon completing the course, students are expected to:</p> <p>Knowledge</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the fundamental principles of garden design, including plant selection, space layout, and garden aesthetics. Comprehend the diverse needs and characteristics of plant species, including their requirements for water, light, and soil. Comprehend the use of tools and techniques required for the care and maintenance of gardens. <p>Skills</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Develop skills in the design and implementation of landscaping projects, including creating and executing garden plans. Cultivate practical gardening skills, such as planting, pruning, and plant maintenance. <p>Competencies</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Analyse and solve problems that arise during garden work, such as plant health issues or design challenges. 			
Prerequisites		Required		
Course content	Throughout the duration of practical training, the site manager/supervisor works closely			

	<p>with the supervising teacher in order to make sure that the skills and competences disclosed in the practical training logbook are met. The supervising teacher visits the students' workplace and becomes acquainted with the tasks assigned to the students, monitors and signs the practical training logbook, and monitors the students' performance and solves their problems as they relate to their work placement.</p> <p>The supervising teacher confirms that the practical training logbook has been duly completed, both by the student, the site manager/supervisor, and him/herself, and whether the practical training can be assessed as "Success" or "Failure".</p>
Teaching methodology	Students' practical raining is carried out for a period of four weeks and the students are placed in a company / organisation that is relevant to their studies and which is approved by the College.
Bibliography	Practical Training Log Book
Assessment	<p>Based on the following criteria, the supervising professor may assess the practical training as success or failure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least 70% participation to Practical Training I, as per the practical training logbook • Assessment and report of the supervising teacher, as found in the practical training logbook • Report of the site manager, as found in the practical training logbook <p>In case Failure, the students are obligated to repeat the course during a following semester.</p>
Language	Greek or English