

# Outdoor Learning

## Practical Horticulture

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Gain hands-on experience whilst studying our new Level 1 Certificate in Practical Horticulture course, delivered in the wonderful grounds here at Northern College.

Perfect for beginners and garden enthusiasts eager to develop essential horticultural skills in your local community.

### What are the entry requirements?

No formal qualifications are required. A reasonable level of mobility is required for this course, and a willingness to learn.

### Need more information?

You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer by calling us on 01226 776000 or emailing us [courses@northern.ac.uk](mailto:courses@northern.ac.uk)

## Course description

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Over the duration of the course, you'll learn a variety of new skills which could include;

- The fundamentals of soil preparation
- Planting

- Maintenance
- Sustainable gardening practices

Don't worry about the weather and the time of year, this course is developed and adapted to each season. So, depending on the season you start the course in, you'll learn all the relevant skills needed to continue to develop and maintain a garden space.

As well as learning new skills, you will also be contributing to the creation and growth of a brand-new community garden which will have the potential to become a cherished gathering place and a central feature of the College.

On completion of this course you will achieve:

- C&G Level 1 Certificate in Practical Horticulture

This course will take place at the Northern College campus.

### What can this course lead to?

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Successful completion of this course could enable you to progress onto a Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture as well as completion of specialised Land Based certifications\*

\*On completion of a Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture learners can access fully funded specialised 'Licence to Practice' qualifications for example Certificate of Competence in Chainsaw Maintenance and Cross-cutting. Please speak to your tutor for more information regarding these qualifications.

## Want to learn more?

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You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer at one of our Open Events [<https://www.northern.ac.uk/open-events/>]

## Location

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On-site

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