

2017 Sustainable Small Farming & Ranching Course

The Cultivating Success™ program combines workshop and on-farm learning experiences to help foster the success of new and existing farms and agri-ventures

Who should take the course?

Current and future small- to mid-scale farmers, ranchers, and agri-preneuers.

Sustainable Small Farming and Ranching

Wednesdays 6:00pm – 8:30pm January 11 through March 22; Field trip days TBD

This course will provide practical information about whole farm planning, diversified production systems, and alternative marketing techniques. The course involves guest lectures from local farmers, field trips, as well as classroom instruction. Whether you are just exploring the opportunities available or already have an existing operation, you'll learn what it takes to create and sustain a viable small farm enterprise.



Instructors

Agriculture faculty and extension director Stephen Bramwell has nine years experience in college-level sustainable agriculture education, and three years experience in commercial vegetable production. For the past eleven years he has been developing and operating a self-sufficient homestead, most recently on 10 acres in north Thurston County.

Lydia Beth (or "Beth") Leimbach has been working on or managing organic farms since 1994. She worked as a Master Gardener for the Nisqually Tribe, Farm Manager at Left Foot Organics and GRuB (Garden Raised Bounty), and horticulture instructor at South Puget Sound Community College. She now works in her own business, GreenActs, as a gardener and farm consultant and is the Assistant Farm Manager at The Evergreen State College Organic Farm.

Name(s): _____

Farm name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Sign me up for these Cultivating Success courses!

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Wednesdays January 11 – March 22nd
\$250 per farm/family \$ _____
(max 3 per farm)

Total enclosed: \$ _____

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Registration

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