

Gifu International Academy of Horticulture



Basic Principle

To promote the development of flowers, greenery industry, culture, and to create healthy and spiritually rich lives by fostering human resources with specialized and comprehensive knowledge and skills related to flowers and greenery.

Basic Policy

- A school that contributes to the flower and greenery industry in Gifu Prefecture.
- A school that fosters professionals who have mastered practical skills in flowers and greenery.
- A school that focuses on practice in cooperation with the flower and greenery industry.

Educational Objective

To foster professionals (Meisters) who have advanced knowledge and skills in flowers and greenery and will play an active role in supporting the industry in the field.

President's Statement

The Gifu International Academy of Horticulture was established for the purpose of creating highly skilled professionals in the fields of flowers and greenery. We offer students a specialized curriculum focused around practical training, and many of our graduates are playing an active role in related fields, such as cultivating, selling and distributing flowers, landscape gardening, and the maintenance of parks and gardens.

We also aim to offer students an opportunity to acquire practical skills as well as to deepen their knowledge in various fields such as the cultivation and decoration of flowers, landscape gardening and greening, in general. Our curriculum is focused on practical training oriented programs that can meet the needs of our society.

Creating spaces filled with flowers and greenery helps create healthy and spiritually rich lives.

By seeking beautiful flowers, pleasant green spaces, kindness and connection, and a grateful heart, we can improve our well-being; which includes the fulfillment of our physical health, mental health, and social wellness.

However, while people tend to think of flowers and greenery as inexhaustible resources that people can use at will, in reality they are very necessary elements of daily life that form a basic infrastructure for the continual improvement of our lives.

Our mission is to foster in our students an abundance of sensibility and a flexible way of thinking. Our door is open for anyone who has a great deal of passion and an interest in flowers and greenery.

President's Profile

< Imanishi Yoshitomo > President, Professor

After graduating from the Department of Environmental Studies for Open Space, Faculty of Horticulture, Chiba University, Mr. Imanishi Yoshitomo worked for many years in park and green space administration as a staff member of the Nagoya City Office. Engaging in a wide range of activities from planning to management of parks and green spaces, as well as providing opportunities for interaction with flowers and greenery and supporting civic activities, he has also. served on various councils and committees for the national government, organizations, and municipalities.



The Three Policies of the Gifu International Academy of Horticulture

1. Policy Regarding Certification of Graduation (Diploma Policy)

The International Academy of Horticulture will certify the graduation of students who have acquired the following qualities and abilities and will award them the title of "Specialist (Horticultural Specialist Course)."

- (1) Be able to practice fair judgment in various matters by acquiring a wide range of knowledge and taking a broad perspective.
- (2) Acquire a wide range of specialized knowledge, creative skills, and excellent management sense, and be able to utilize such knowledge and skills to solve various problems in society.
- (3) Acquire the ability to explore issues and solve problems in society, continue to learn on their own initiatives, share what they have learned, and grow together.

2. Policy Regarding the Organization and Implementation of Educational Curriculum (Curriculum Policy)

The International Academy of Horticulture organizes and implements the following educational curriculum in order to achieve educational objectives and help students acquire the qualities and abilities indicated in the title awarding policy.

- (1) In the educational curriculum, basic education subjects, specialized education subjects, applied education subjects, and research education subjects are organized systematically so that students can learn in stages, and classes are implemented through an appropriate combination of lectures, exercises, and practical training to ensure that students acquire knowledge and skills in specialized fields and can utilize them in problem-solving.
- (2) By incorporating active learning elements, mainly through exercises and practical training subjects, students will be able to learn by their own initiative throughout their lives and gain mutual understanding and exchange opinions with others.
- (3) In addition to conducting strict grade evaluation and credit certification for learning outcomes, we also conduct study behavior surveys, introduce an international assessment system (GPA), and provide individualized instruction based on the number of hours completed, in order to ensure that students can pursue their studies according to their individual achievement level and future plans.
- (4) For the courses offered, the syllabus will clarify and publicize lesson plans, learning objectives, grading criteria, etc.

3. Policy Regarding Acceptance of New Students (Admission Policy)

The International Academy of Horticulture accepts students who have acquired the following qualities and abilities through their studies at high school, etc.

- (1) Have acquired the basic knowledge of each subject at high school, which is the basis for learning at a vocational school.
- (2) Have a sense of purpose to make use of the results of their studies in society.
- (3) Motivated to continue learning not only while at school but also after graduation.
- (4) Have good morals, fundamental attitudes, and courtesies (verbal behavior, appearance, etc.).
- (5) Have basic habits for livelihood (health management, time management, etc.)
- (6) Are considerate of others and respectful of cooperation.

Meister Course Overview

Course: Flower Cultivation Course

Floral Design Course

Landscape Gardening and Greening Course

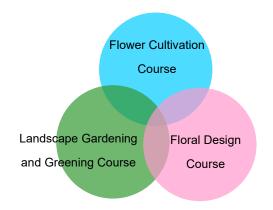
Applicant Eligibility: Applicants should be graduated from high school or should have an equivalent academic attainment.

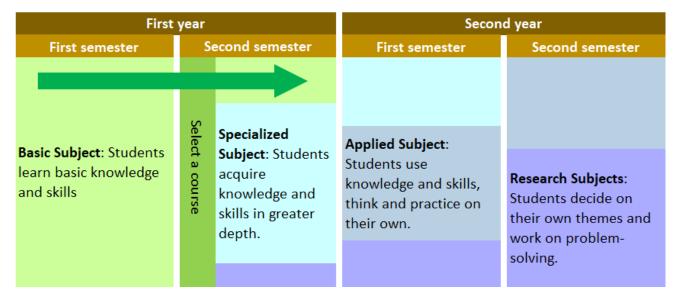
Period: 2 years Degree: Diploma

Enrollment Limit: 40 students (20 per year)

Students gain a comprehensive education through classes taken from 3 different courses, Flower Cultivation, Floral Design and Landscape Gardening and Greening, in order to play an active role in the flowers and greenery field with the knowledge and skills which they learned at our academy.

- In the first semester of Year 1, students learn about basic knowledge and skills related to flowers and greenery in a comprehensive and cross-sectional way by taking various classes from each course.
- From the second semester of Year 1, students enhance and deepen their knowledge and skills by taking classes from their major field.
- In the second semester of Year 2, students work on their graduation research/projects.





10 Areas of Study at the Gifu International Academy of Horticulture

1.Flower Cultivation and Distribution

Cultivation and Production Theory

Plant Physiology

Practical Training in Flower Production

Introduction to Horticultural Distribution

Sales Practicum at Events

Production Management Practicum I, II

Exercise in Production Problem-Solving I, II

Basic Breeding Science

Smart Farming Training





2.Flower Decoration

Horticulture Decoration Practicum I, II

Flower Design Practicum I, II

Practicum for Preparation for the Level 2 and 3 Horticultural Decorating

Skills Test

Practicum for Preparation for the Level 2 and 3 Flower Decorating Skills Test

Flower Decoration Exercise

Wedding Decoration Practicum

Funeral Decoration Practicum

Decorating Skills Practicum

Flower Business





3. Landscaping and Greenery

Introduction to Landscaping

Practicum for Landscaping with Flowers I, II, III

Landscaping Construction and Management Practicum I, II, III

Practicum for the Level 2 and 3 Landscaping Skills Test

Surveying Practicum

Drafting Practicum

CAD Drafting Practicum

Event Display Practicum

Comprehensive Landscaping Practicum

Landscaping Engineering and Construction Theory

Landscaping Measurement and Landscaping Construction and Management Practicum

Park and Greenery Theory

Landscaping Design Exercise





4. Marketing

Product Trend Research I, II

Product Development Exercise

Promotion through SNS



5. Management

Career Design I, II

Simulation of Business Start-Up and Management

Basic Bookkeeping

Plant Business Theory



6. Culture and Utilization

Horticultural Color Science

Ikebana (Japanese flower arrangement)

Horticultural Well-being Theory and Practicum

Bonsai (Miniature Potted Tree) Practicum

Training in Horticultural Culture



7. Plant Management

Basic Plant Management Practicum I, II, III

8. Internationality

Global Communication in Horticulture I, II

Overseas Study Tours

9. Work Experience

Internships I, II, III



10. Problem Solving

Research and Production for Graduation

Detailed Course

Flower Cultivation Course (Meister Course)

- Sowing the seeds that create new value.
- Students learn flower cultivation techniques, product planning and site management.

The Flower Cultivation course cultivates comprehensive management skills in the production field by enabling students to carry out cultivation planning and field management on their own, and to acquire the concept of treating plants as products by shipping their produce to the market.

In addition, students improve their problem-solving skills by working on practical research projects related to product development, smart agriculture and the construction of flower production systems with low environmental impact, in collaboration with companies, municipalities, and universities.

Communication skills are also improved through regular information sharing within the course on progress in field management and issue management, as well as the latest information on the flower and greenery industry.



Practical training in flower production

Students will systematically learn about seedling, cuttings, raising of seedling, transplantation, fertilization, pest control, shipment adjustment, price determination, etc., and acquire basic plant production techniques for seedlings, pots, and cut flowers.



Sales Practicum at Events

Students sell produce from the farm in conjunction with event in Gifu World Rose Garden. They learn to interact directly with consumers, manage their products using a sales app and manage sales.



Smart Agriculture Training

Students will learn about smart agriculture, which utilizes robotics and information and communication technology (ICT) to achieve labor savings, precision, and high-quality production, as well as how to use smart agriculture to resolve issues such as the aging of farmers, the decline in the number of farmers, and the discontinuation of skilled techniques.

Floral Design Course (Meister Course)

- Become a florist who can talk about flowers
- Students learn decorative techniques and plant management, including floral design and green displays.

The role of flowers and greenery is becoming increasingly essential in today's busy society.

There is an increasing demand for designs that not only display beautiful flowers but also heal people's hearts and minds.

In order to create designs that heal people's hearts, it is necessary to start by knowing the characteristics of each flower and plant, and to accumulate experience based on the basics of techniques.

Through repeated production of works in basic and practical classes, we aim to develop florists and green coordinators with imagination and practical skills.



Flower Design Practicum

After learning the basics with fresh and art flowers, students learn a wide range of practical skills through repeated production of seasonal products and flower arrangements for weddings and funerals.



Horticulture Decoration Practicum

Through the production and management of group planting, hanging baskets and moss balls, students learn how to maintain and manage plants while also acquiring skills in the production of spatial displays.



Wedding Decoration Practicum

Students acquire the knowledge and skills to be able to coordinate wedding bouquets, table decorations and other wedding-related flowers in accordance with the client's requirements and budget.

Landscape Gardening and Greening Course (Meister Course)

- Creating a landscaped space filled with flowers and greenery.
- Students learn design, planning and construction and maintenance techniques related to landscaping and greening.

Landscaping is the creation of comfortable environments (amenities), mainly through the use of natural materials such as plants, stone, wood and bamboo.

Landscaped spaces such as gardens, parks, street trees, rooftop and wall greening, biotopes, etc. and improve the environment.

Students on the Landscaping and Landscaping course learn the knowledge techniques and sensibility for design, construction, maintenance and management.



Surveying Practicum

Drawings are produced by surveying distances, angles and elevation differences. In this practical training, you will learn basic surveying methods such as level and plane-table surveying, which are necessary for landscaping construction.



Practicum for Landscaping with Flowers

Students learn about landscaping with flowers, and plant and maintenance a practical field in Gifu World Rose Garden.



Landscaping Construction and Management Practicum

Students learn how to construct landscaped spaces such as masonry, prune and manage plants according to their growth characteristics.

Campus Life Surrounded by Flowers and Greenery

Entrance Ceremony Welcome Party for **New Students** Apr.

Company Orientation

Internship III (2nd Year) **Event Sales Practicum**

Internship ||| Report

Internship I (1st Year)

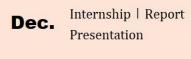
Presentation

Nov.

May



School Festival "Nanja-sai"



Opinion Exchange Session on Flowers Jul.

and Greenery Summer Festival Jan.



Aug.



Overseas Study Tour (2nd Year) Sep. Overseas Study Tour Report Presentation



Mar. Graduation Ceremony Farewell Party for

Graduates

Winter Break

Faculty Introduction



Flower Cultivation

< Maeda Takahide >

Associate Professor

Plant Physiology

Basic Breeding Science



Landscape Gardening and Greening

< Imanishi Yoshitomo >

President, Professor

- Training in Horticultural Culture

- Park and Greenery Theory



Flower Cultivation

< Amemiya Tsuyoshi >

Lecturer

- Cultivation/Production Theory

- Introduction to Horticultural Distribution



Landscape Gardening and Greening

< Arai Toshihiro >

Associate Professor

- Landscaping Construction and Management

Landscaping Engineering/Construction Theory



Floral Designgn

< Yoshida Kumiko >

Associate Professor

Practicum for Landscaping with Flowers

- Practicum for preparation for the Level 2 Flower Decorating Skills Test



Management

< Sato Tomoshige >

Associate Professor

Career Design

- Simulation of Business Start-Up and Management



Floral Designgn

< Hayashi Makoto >

Associate Professor

Flower Design Practicum

Flower Decoration Practicum



Floral Designgn

< Murase Yui >

Assistant Professor

- Horticulture Decoration Practicum

- Practicum for preparation for the Level 3 Horticultural Decorating Skills Test

Location



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