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GROW A GREAT
 CAREER IN THE
**HORTICULTURE
 & LANDSCAPE
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**HORTICULTURE AND
 LANDSCAPE
 TECHNOLOGIES
 IS A
 FAST-GROWING
 CAREER FIELD**

Hundreds of good-paying jobs are waiting for trained applicants

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates an 18 percent to 26 percent increase in demand for workers in the horticulture and landscaping industry over the next eight years. Horticulture covers a wide array of jobs. You might be interested in the commercial production, installation, and care of garden plants. Or you might be interested in landscape architecture, landscape design, landscape contracting, irrigation contracting, nursery and landscape management, greenhouse production (also called floriculture), or floral design. If so, an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree from Front Range Community College (FRCC) will help you get a great job with good pay.

Jobs in horticulture industries

	Entry	Experienced
Landscaper/Groundskeeper	\$17,664/year	\$28,451/year
Tree Trimmer	\$24,797/year	\$33,821/year
Landscape Foreman	\$32,557/year	\$52,349/year
Nursery/Greenhouse Manager	\$33,466/year	\$74,216/year
Project Manager	\$46,744/year	\$91,232/year

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Occupational Employment Statistics Survey Data for 2006.

If you have an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree from FRCC, you will have the training in the occupational cluster you choose – computer technology, general horticulture, landscape design, landscape installation, landscape management, or specialty areas such as green-leading xeriscaping or golf course or sports turf management. You also will learn the teamwork and customer-service skills today's job market demands.

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Ray Daugherty



Ray caught the horticulture bug early — making a terrarium in second grade. His grandfather was a gardener, so taking over the family yard and garden seemed natural. Ray earned a bachelor's degree with distinction at Colorado State

University, earning induction into the Pi Alpha Xi honor society for ornamental horticulture and Gamma Sigma Delta honor society for agriculture. After graduation, Ray worked as a propagator and grower at a nursery and greenhouse. He also owned his own firm. He's a Certified Nursery Professional. His photographs are used in plant identification classes and appear in the Rocky Mountain Plant Guide.

WANT TO GET STARTED FASTER?

Choose a one- or two-semester certificate

- **Irrigation Management** – be on the leading edge for water conservation
- **Landscape Construction and Management** – build it with sustainability in mind
- **Landscape Design** – use your computer and design skills
- **Turfgrass Management** – golf courses and sports fields need you

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Diane Waltman



Diane, a fourth-generation Colorado native, wanted to buy “Charlotte’s Web” while in elementary school, and she earned the money by working in the yard and garden. “I enjoy nature and working outdoors,” she says. “I like to share my passion

by teaching. I love working with all types of students.” She has a bachelor’s degree in ornamental horticulture and landscape design and a master’s of agriculture in extension education, both from Colorado State University. Diane is joining FRCC’s college faculty at the Larimer Campus in fall 2008 after completing her 17th year teaching in Larimer’s horticulture-related high school programs.

STUDENT PROFILE

Richard Lozano



Growing up in Half Moon Bay, California, a rich floricultural area, gave Richard an early start to his love for plants. Winning 4-H ribbons at the county fair for his vegetables nurtured his love further. After an associate degree in electronics and a little “cabin fever” from

working indoors, Richard came back to his first love – horticulture – and enrolled at FRCC. He graduated in 2003. These days, Richard is a park operations technician for the City and County of Broomfield, responsible for the grounds around the municipal buildings. “My degree helped me get my job,” Richard says. “And what I learned just about tree identification helped me pass Arborist certification.”

A career in horticulture could be just right for you

Do you like working outdoors? Become an arborist. Do you have a flair for design? Become a landscape designer. Do you like to work with your hands? Landscape construction can be as challenging as it is fulfilling. Do you have a technical interest? A greenhouse is more than a glass building – it’s a technological wonder. Are you a budding scientist? Start down the path to work in plant physiology, plant pathology, or entomology. Do you have an entrepreneurial streak? Start your own business. Undecided? Talk to one of our faculty or, if you’re a self-help kind of person, go to www.thelandlovers.org for career information.

Maybe you want to start at FRCC and later transfer to Colorado State University. You can do that. Talking with a faculty advisor should be your first step.

This is a quality program

The courses are designed to meet the standards of the Professional Landcare Network (PLANET). PLANET is the leading international association in the industry, with more than 4,300 member firms. It is an association for lawn care professionals, exterior maintenance contractors, installation/design/build professionals, and interiorscapers. Your FRCC degree, therefore, makes you highly qualified.

Learn from the best instructors in the business

They’ve been on the job. They’ve worked in the industry. And now they want to teach. They have stories to tell that help make their subjects real and exciting. You can expect to learn a lot and have a great time doing it in small classes where you get lots of hands-on training and plenty of personal interaction.

INSTRUCTOR PROFILE

Dan Bacheler



Dan grew up in northern Michigan with a jungle of houseplants on the porch, so his roots in horticulture run deep – his mother is a botanist and his father a hobbyist gardener. He started from the ground up, working as a laborer, then a designer, then

a superintendent during his 12 years in the field. He has a bachelor’s degree in horticulture from Michigan State University. Why teach? “I have the knowledge to do things correctly,” he said. “I’m trying to raise awareness that professionalism is a priority for this industry.”

STUDENT PROFILE

Marne Norquist



Marne, who works in design, sales, and estimating for CoCal Landscape in Denver, was in graduate school for landscape architecture when she discovered that her favorite classes were the electives – the practical application. So she left grad school to

come to FRCC. “My interest was always botanical and plant-oriented,” she says. With a bachelor’s degree, her graduate school experience, and some world travel, she found a home at FRCC. “I really appreciated all the walks of life a community college offers,” she says. “It makes for a great learning environment.” As for her instructors, she remembers Ray Daugherty as “a really dedicated guy. He puts a lot of pride and integrity into the program.”



GET STARTED!

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