AG 152  Orchid Culture (CRN 63392)
      3 credits
      T,R 2:30 pm – 3:45 pm

INSTRUCTOR:  Ingelia White PhD
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OFFICE HOURS:  T,R 1:00 pm – 2:15 pm or by appointment
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EFFECTIVE DATE:  Fall 2016

WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai‘i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide O‘ahu’s Ko‘olau region and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

An extensive study of orchid identification, breeding, growth, and tissue culture. Students are required to write a research paper or provide a power point presentation and active participation in orchid societies (3 hrs. lect.)

REQUIREMENT COURSE SATISFIES:

AT WCC:
  • AA (DB)
  • Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Agripharmatech: Ethnopharmacognosy
  • CA Agripharmatech: Plant Biotechnology
  • Certificate of Competence (CoC) in Plant-Food Production and Technology

AT UHM:
  • Bachelor of Science Degree (B.Sc.) in Tropical Plant and Soil Science (TPSS)
  • B.Sc. Plant and Environmental Biotechnology (PEB). Accepted as an elective for the following specializations: Plant Biotechnology, General Biotechnology, and Environmental – Microbial Biotechnology.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other Than Class Times
Attend Orchid Society meetings, field trip to orchid nurseries, participate in orchid show, and other extracurricular activities to earn grade points.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student learning outcomes for the course:
  1. Identify orchid species, hybrids and trace their pedigrees
  2. Provide cultural requirements for each genus, including temperature, light intensity, humidity, watering, fertilizing, media composition, pest/disease
control and repotting
3. Perform traditional and in vitro propagations
4. Perform orchid breeding and discuss its economic importance
5. Conduct literature or experimental research and submit research paper

## COURSE CONTENT

**Concepts or Topics:**

| 1. Orchid classification. Learning botanical terms (generative and vegetative parts of orchid plants) |
| 2. Planting and orchid pests/diseases |
| 3. Propagation (traditional and tissue culture) |
| 4. Orchid cyto-genetics/breeding and phylogenetics |

**Skills or Competencies: you will be able to**

| 1. Use dissecting microscope, read manuals/monographs, and Sander’s List of Orchid Hybrids |
| 2. Grow orchids to bloom profusely |
| 3. Grow orchids in vivo and in vitro |
| 4. Produce prize winning hybrids through conventional breeding |

## COURSE TASKS

1. **Division of time**
   
   About 60% of class time will be spent on lectures, video and demonstration. The other 40% will be used for field works at the climate-controlled greenhouse, and Bioprocessing Medicinal Garden Complex; lab work at the Tissue Culture and Plant Biotech Laboratory, and/or field trip to orchid nurseries

2. **Reading assignment**
   
   You are expected to read assigned textbook or hand-outs prior to lectures, and research readings in preparation for your research reports (Power Point).

3. **Participation**
   
   You should participate fully and turn in homework, fieldwork and lab assignments on time

## ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

Class lectures, assigned readings, lab exercises, field trips and field works constitute fundamental knowledge you need to master in order to identify orchid species correctly, to propagate and maintain the growth/health of the orchid plants, and be able to create excellent hybrids.

**Method of grading:**

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<th>Task</th>
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<td>Research paper and power point presentation</td>
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<td>Field work and Lab participation</td>
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Letter grades will be assigned as follows: A………90% or above in total points.
B.........80 – 89.9% of total points.
C.........65 – 79.9% of total points.
D.........55 – 64.9% of total points.
F.........below 55% of total points/informal/incomplete official withdrawal from the course.
I......... Incomplete; given at the instructor’s option when you are unable to complete a small part of the course because of circumstances beyond your control. It is your responsibility to make up incomplete work. Failure to satisfactorily make up incomplete work within the appropriate time period will result in a grade change for “I” to contingency grade identified by the instructor (see catalog).

CR........65% or above in total points; you must indicate the intent to take the course as CR/N in writing by November 3, 2016 (see catalog).
NC........Below 65% of total points; this grade only available under the CR/N option (see above and see Catalog).
N.........Not given by this instructor except under extremely rare circumstances (e.g. documented serious illness or emergency that prevents you from officially withdrawing from the course); never used as an alternative for an “F” grade.
W.........Official withdrawal from the course without a “W” Grade (September 12, 2016). Last day withdrawal with a “W” Grade (November 3, 2016) (see catalog).
Waiver of minimum requirements for specific grades will be given only in unique situations at the instructor’s discretion.

LEARNING RESOURCES

• White, I. 2016. Ethnopharmacognosy Series V: Pharmaceutical and Nutraceutical Values of Vanda Miss Joaquim. Windward Community College (in publication)
• Hand-outs

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT
If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale ‘Akoakoa 213 for more information.

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Fall 2016
AG 152 Course Schedule*
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Aug. 23  Introduction (revitalizing interest in orchids)
Aug. 25  Orchid terminology
Aug. 30  Introduction to orchid taxonomy
Sept. 1  Field work at BMGC
Sept. 6  Sub fam. Dendrobioid, Tribe Vandeae
Sept. 8  Sub fam. Epidendroid, Tribe Epidendreae
Sept. 13 Sub fam. Cypripedioideae, Tribe Cypripedieae. DVD Vanilla orchid or other topics (Dr. Ken Cameron)
Sept. 15 Sub fam. Dendrobioid, Tribe Dendrobieae
Sept. 20 “A Brief History of Orchid Classification: The Middle Ages to Genera Orchidacearum” (DVD, Dr. A. Pridgeon). Report due on Sept. 22
Sept. 22 “The Future of Orchid Classification and Evolutionary Studies” (DVD, Dr. A. Pridgeon). Report due on Sept. 27
Sept. 27 Sub fam. Cymbidiod, Tribe Cymbidieae; Orchid pedigrees
Sept. 29  Orchid pedigrees (continued); Orchid identification
Oct. 4   Traditional propagation (greenhouse)
Oct. 6   Growing, fertilizing, pests/diseases (green house)
Oct. 11  Seedling transplanting (greenhouse)

Oct. 13  Midterm

Oct 18  No class (replacing field trip to HOS Show, Sunday, Oct. 16). Reports due on Oct. 20
Oct. 20  In vitro propagation video: summary report due in class
Oct. 25  Media preparation (lab)
Oct. 27  In vitro propagation (demo)
Nov. 1  Tissue culture practicum (seed, embryo, ovulary cultures)
Nov. 3  Tissue culture practicum (Meristem, inflorescence, stem cultures)

Nov. 8  Holiday
Nov. 10 Tissue culture practicum (Meristem, inflorescence, stem cultures)
Nov. 15 Class presentation 1
Nov. 17  Orchid genetics
Nov. 22 Orchid genetics (continued)

Nov. 24  Holiday
Nov. 29  Orchid breeding
Dec. 1   Orchid breeding continued
Dec. 6   Class presentation 2
Dec. 8   Class presentation 3

Dec. 15  Final exam

* Field trips/field work subject to change depending on weather condition or extra curricular activities