

Credit and Non-Credit Sustainable Agriculture Summer Courses Summer Crop Production and Wild Edibles

SAGR 194: Summer Crop Production

Learn how to grow your own vegetables, culinary and medicinal herbs, and cut flowers with summer sustainable crop production practices appropriate to the summer season in the Great Lakes bioregion. Topics can include irrigation systems, production methods, soil testing and amendment, weed barriers and pest control, and various record keeping procedures, such as those needed for organic certification. Course incorporates off-campus outdoor living classroom, is a service learning course, and includes many hands-on farming activities. Course will take place at the George Jones Farm (a program of NAC – New Agrarian Center) in Oberlin, OH, and will be taught by Farm Manager, Evelyn Bryant. **NENV 194 NON-Credit Summer Crop Production** is the non-credit co-listing for this course. Students can experience the course without receiving a grade or college credit for reduced cost.



SAGR 197: Wild Edibles

Find out where and what wild foods grow in your back yard by exploring Lorain County in late spring. Learn to forage in a variety of habitats, identify edible species, distinguish from look-alikes, and incorporate wild edibles into dishes. Other course content includes comparative health among hunter-gatherer and farming cultures; ethics of foraging and overharvesting; politics of foraging; wild ancestors of modern agricultural crops; history of plant domestication; how to incorporate “wild” foods into crop production systems; how to re-vision what agriculture might look like using techniques such as food forests; and a critique of problematic binaries: weed vs. crop; native vs. invasive. This 1-credit elective, taught by Marco Wilkinson consists of a 3-hour lecture (including travel time), which utilizes outdoor spaces as a living laboratory. **NENV 197 Non-credit Wild Edibles** is the non-credit co-listing for this course. Students can experience the course without receiving a grade or college credit for reduced cost.

For more information about these courses, contact Dr. Ruby Beil, sustainable agriculture Program Coordinator, at (440) 366-7222 or at rbeil@lorainccc.edu. To register for non-credit courses, call the LCCC Records office at (440) 366-4067.