

Sustainable Agriculture (SAG)

Courses

SAG 245 Principles of Sustainable Market Farming (3 Hours)

This course is designed to familiarize Market Farmers with sustainable methods of production of crops grown in the Market Farming industry. The course will prepare students in the basic principles of soils; pest and weed management; varieties of plants to grow; establishment, growth, harvesting and post-harvesting of crops; marketing methods; and business management. Students will become familiar with principles of sustainability and the importance of good record keeping. 3 hrs. lecture/wk.

SAG 272 Sustainable Agriculture Fall Practicum (2 Hours)

Through practical experience complemented by lectures and discussions, students will gain exposure to a broad range of tasks facing the market farmer during the fall and early winter seasons. This includes production and marketing of summer crops, planning, and production of fall crops in high tunnels and open field, and marketing these fall crops. Topics include production planning, planting, integrated crop management, harvest and postharvest practices, marketing through various channels, tools and equipment, soil fertility management, and record keeping. Practicum activities will integrate with other courses in this market farming certificate program. Students will learn both conventional and organic production techniques. Entrepreneurship will be emphasized throughout. 7 hrs. practicum/wk.

SAG 274 Sustainable Agriculture Spring Practicum (2 Hours)

Through practical experience complemented by lectures and discussions, students will gain exposure to a broad range of tasks facing the market farmer during the winter and early spring seasons. This includes production and marketing of winter crops and planning and production of spring and summer crops in high tunnels and open field and marketing these spring crops. Topics include production planning, planting, integrated crop management, harvest and postharvest practices, marketing through various channels, tools and equipment, soil fertility management and record keeping. Practicum activities will integrate with other courses in this market farming certificate program. Students will learn both conventional and organic production techniques. Entrepreneurship will be emphasized throughout. 7 hrs practicum/wk.

SAG 276 Sustainable Agriculture Summer Practicum (2 Hours)

Through practical experience complemented by lectures and discussions, students will gain exposure to a broad range of tasks facing the market farmer during the summer season. This includes planning, production and marketing of spring and summer crops and planning and production of fall crops in high tunnels and open field. Topics include production planning, planting, integrated crop management, harvest and postharvest practices, marketing through various channels, tools and equipment, soil fertility management, and record keeping. Practicum activities will integrate with other courses in this market farming certificate program. Students will learn both conventional and organic production techniques. Entrepreneurship will be emphasized throughout. 7 hrs. practicum/wk.