

To register for the
Upper Valley Master
Gardener Program
please call the
Fremont County
Extension office at:
208-624-3102.

Participants can
choose to take the
program for
certification or not.

If you would like to attend the Master
Gardener classes in another county,
please call us for contact information.

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Classes are held annually
beginning in late January going
until the second week in May.

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The 2017 Master Gardener Program

Helping people grow

This program provides gardeners with an intensive education in horticultural principles. It is one of the many ways the University of Idaho Extension supports the motto of "helping people grow."



Through the Master Gardener training classes you will become knowledgeable about a wide array of horticultural subjects. This knowledge will increase your skills as well as enable you to assist fellow gardeners with horticultural questions. If certified as a Master Gardener you will work extensively with the public and have the opportunity to participate in volunteer activities and/or develop special horticultural programs within your community.

Schedule of classes:

Classes begin on January 25, and are held every Wednesday night until May 3, 2017.

Classes are held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, with a break in the middle.

Location: Master Gardeners Classes are held at the Fremont County Annex building, in the large meeting. The Fremont County Extension Office is the main entrance for this class.

In Idaho, the Master Gardener program is conducted by the University of Idaho Extension through participating county offices.

Training

Classes are taught by University of Idaho Extension Specialists and Extension Educators. The program offers a minimum of 30 hours of instruction that covers the following topics:

- Introduction to Horticulture, Botany, and Plant Science
- Basic Entomology
- Vegetable Culture and Crops
- Tree Fruits and Small Fruits
- Basic Plant Pathology and Plant Disease Diagnosis
- Soils, Fertilizers, Irrigation and Composting
- Turfgrass
- Herbaceous Plants and House Plants
- Trees and Shrubs
- Pruning and Grafting
- Landscape Design and Landscape Plants
- Weeds and Pesticide Safety
- New Topics are added annually!

Open-book quizzes and exams are given on material covered in class. Upon completion of classes and the volunteer commitment, participants are then certified as Idaho Master Gardeners for one year.

Certified Master Gardeners must recertify annually by completing a combined total of 15 hours volunteer time and classroom instruction.



Commitment

If you are taking this program for certification as a Master Gardener, participants are required to return 40 hours of volunteer time to their community through local volunteer hours. The type of service given by Master Gardeners varies from location to location. Extension Educators will provide guidance and support to the participant in deciding how best to spend their volunteer time, based on their interests and skills.

Who Can Apply?

Anyone with the interest in horticulture can apply for the Master Gardener program.



Persons must be interested in improving their own skills and knowledge. If the participant wishes to certify as a Master Gardener, they must be willing to share their knowledge with others. Class attendance, quizzes and volunteer hours are required for certification

Cost

There is a class fee which covers the cost of the manual and reference materials, which become part of your personal library.

Cost of attending the program:

All class participants are required to pay \$100.00 at the beginning of the course.

Participants who complete the requirements of the program and receive certification will be reimbursed \$30.00 with their certificate.