Can I apply to be an Idaho Master Gardener?

Anyone with an interest in sharing research-based gardening solutions and teaching others to garden can become an Idaho Master Gardener! You must be interested in sharing horticulture knowledge with others. Becoming a Master Gardener gives you the chance to learn:

- soils
- basic botany
- disease diagnosis
- insects
- weed ID & management
- lawn care
- landscape shrubs & trees
- vegetables, herbs & fruits

An Idaho Master Gardener is about all of this and more! It’s about sharing your passion and knowledge of gardening with your community. It’s about empowering the community to tackle their landscaping and gardening challenges by providing them with research-based solutions for a more sustainable life.

Training
The Master Gardener program consists of 2 phases:
- Phase One: 40 hours of classroom training
- Phase Two: 40 hours of practicum via volunteer educational service.

Master Gardener Schedule
Training runs mid-January through the end of April. Classes will meet at the Canyon County Extension Office. Space is limited, so early registration is recommended. Check with the University of Idaho Extension Office in Canyon County at 208-459-6003 for specific dates for the upcoming program.

Cost
For information on the current fee charged for the Idaho Master Gardener class, please call the Canyon County Extension Office.

The deadline to apply is mid-December. The fee includes the cost for a background check, the equivalent of a 3 credit university class with instruction and materials, several hands-on labs, field trips and your name badge when you complete the program.

Horticulture industry professionals are encouraged to take the class without the volunteer requirements. Call the Canyon County Extension Office to find out information on the cost for this professional development opportunity.
Stewardship for Small Acreage Landowners. Classes are offered each winter at various Treasure Valley locations.

**For more information on the various programs offered through UI Extension, call 208-459-6003 or e-mail canyon@uidaho.edu.**

Persons with disabilities who require alternate means for communication or program information or reasonable accommodations need to contact the Canyon County Extension office at 208-459-6003 or e-mail canyon@uidaho.edu at least two weeks before class.

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May - September

Monday: 1pm-4pm

Wednesday: 1pm-4pm

Friday: 9am-12pm

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