

Garden Design - An Introduction

Course Type: Part Time Love2Learn

Location: Somer Valley Campus

Improve and refresh your garden with the support and help of award winning garden designer Christine Pritchard. During this introduction to garden design you will learn step by step how to redesign your plot. You must have access to a garden on which to base your work.

What topics are covered?

Design principles. Basic surveying techniques. Garden styles. Patios, ponds and other hard landscaping. Turf and other aspects of soft landscaping.

Who is the course aimed at?

Anyone wishing to learn the basic principles of garden design. No prior experience necessary.

Who will be my tutor?

Name: Christine Pritchard

Link: <http://www.christinepritchard.co.uk/>

Christine Pritchard is an award winning garden & landscape designer.

How will I learn?

You will be engaged with new ideas or techniques at the start of the session. You will have regular opportunities to discuss your own gardening problems and solutions with feedback from the group and the tutor. At home you will work on putting the theory into practice with the aim of producing a new plan for your garden. It is important that participants have a garden, or part of a garden, to work on during the sessions. By the end of the course students will have produced a new design, to scale, for their garden.

Are there any additional costs?

Tape measure you will need to measure your garden in advance of the first session.

Which department is this course in?

Department of Hospitality, Spa Industry & Landbased

Where will I need to go on my first day?

On your first day, please report to the Reception in the **Cam Building** at [Somerset Valley Campus](#).

What do I need to bring?

Garden survey plan (no matter how sketchy). A few photographs of your garden of how it is now. Ideas for your design. Any pictures you may have that inspire you. A tablespoon of your soil that has been allowed to dry naturally for a soil test. A pencil, a rubber, a ruler, a pair of compasses and a scale ruler if you have one – the tutor will have scale rulers available. Notepad.

What else do I need to know?

To get the best out of the course it is important that you have a garden (however small) on which to base your design. Enrolments for this course will be closed 10 days before the start date to allow you time to measure your plot in advance of the first session. An information pack will be sent out to students with guidance notes on how to measure your garden for a drawing, plus a link to a video tutorial as well as tips when thinking about ideas for your design.

To avoid disappointment, please make sure you enrol on your chosen course early. Decisions regarding running or cancelling a course are made one week prior to the start of the course. If a course is cancelled, you will be informed and your course fees refunded in full. Please see [Terms and Conditions of Enrolment](#).

The course will not run on bank holidays or during half term. Please check the [term dates](#).

Where can I find out more information?

If you need help or answers to specific questions, please contact the [Student Advice Centre](#) on

[01225 312191](tel:01225312191) ext 720 or email info@bathcollege.ac.uk.

How do I enrol?

You can enrol on this course:

Online: Click the "Add to Cart" button to enrol online.

Phone: Call [01225 328720](tel:01225328720) during our [opening hours](#)

Post: Download the [Love2learn Learning Agreement](#) and send to Student Advice Centre, Bath College, Avon Street, Bath BA1 1UP.

In person: Visit the [Student Advice Centre](#) in either of our campuses

Please see [how to enrol](#) for more detailed information.