University of Vermont Extension Master Gardener
Bennington Chapter

Scholarship Application for the 2020 Extension Master Gardener Course

Eligibility:

- The applicant must live in Bennington County.
- Plan to enroll or have enrolled in the 2020 UVM Extension Master Gardener Course.
- Scholarship recipients must be prepared to *actively participate in their local Chapter of Extension Master Gardeners for a minimum of two years. *Minimum of 20 volunteer hours/year

Scholarship Amount: $250. Recipients will receive a $250 discount towards class fees.

NOTE: If recipient has already fully paid for this course, he or she will receive a $250 reimbursement. Recipient must pay the balance due by January 10, 2020 in order to have access to the course materials.

Application Deadline: Applications must be emailed to Dottie Sundquist @ dotsun53@gmail.com by 5:00 p.m. on December 31, 2019. Late applications will not be considered. In addition to the application, applicants must also complete the Memorandum of Understanding found on the next page.

Award Announced: All applicants will be notified of the results the week of 1/6/20.

Please answer the following questions on a separate page, limiting each answer to no more than 150 words.

1. Why is the Extension Master Gardener course important to you?

2. How will you contribute to the goal of Extension Master Gardeners to promote successful, safe and environmentally prudent home horticulture practices through education and community activities?

3. What is your area of interest in gardening? Flowers? Landscape? Vegetable?

4. Describe your experience and level of expertise as a gardener. (No weight is accorded to any particular level of gardening expertise.)
Name: ________________________________________________________________

Street address: __________________________________________________________

Mailing address if different: ______________________________________________

City/Town: ______________________________________________________________

Zip Code: ______________________________________________________________

Email Address: __________________________________________________________

Phone number(s): ________________________________________________________

For 2020, the course, comprised of 14 online sessions, will be held from 6:00 - 7:00 pm on Thursdays, beginning January 17 and ending May 15. The registration starts in mid-November and the deadline to register is January 15, 2020. Please visit the website https://www.uvm.edu/extension/mastergardener/extension-master-gardener-course for complete details about the course.

Please mail your application to:

Dottie Sundquist
527 Woodcock Road
Sandgate Road
Sandgate, Vermont 05250

Dotsun53@gmail.com, 802-688-4707

If you require accommodations to participate in this program, please notify the UVM Extension Master Gardener Coordinator @ (802)656-1777 four weeks in advance of the event starting date of January 17, 2020.
Memorandum of Understanding
UVM Extension Master Gardener 2020 Course
Student Scholarship

The scholarship recipient will be selected on the basis of the applicant’s interest in the UVM Extension Master Gardener (EMG) program and commitment to participate in Extension Master Gardener events and projects. Upon successful completion of the 2020 Extension Master Gardener Course, the recipient agrees to pursue a 40 hour internship within a two year period. As an EMG Intern, the recipient agrees to volunteer under the guidance of a Certified EMG Mentor (if available) who has been selected by the EMG Chapter Steering Team. The EMG Mentor will help the intern select an approved project. This project will provide hands-on gardening experience as well as exposure to chapter communication and operations. The recipient is also expected to participate in chapter organization planning, learning opportunities, annual plant sale and other events that are hosted by their local Extension Master Gardener Chapter.

Scholarship applicant: __________________________________________

Date: __________________________

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