

CITRUS & HORTICULTURAL SCIENCE

THE ONLY PROGRAM OF ITS KIND IN THE COUNTRY — YOU'LL DEVELOP BOTH THE KNOWLEDGE AND THE CONTACTS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED IN THIS IN-DEMAND FIELD.

Horticulture is central to how we survive — it feeds us, improves our health and well-being, and creates the backdrops of our everyday lives. Skilled horticulturists play a critical role in meeting the growing needs for a safe food supply in Florida's citrus and other crop production industries.

A CURRICULUM THAT FITS YOUR GOALS

Growing and managing crops requires an understanding of both science and business. Through small classes and hands-on experiences, your **B.S. in Citrus and Horticultural Science** will provide you with a solid foundation in biology, chemistry, and crop production. Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to further develop expertise based on your individual interests and career objectives through four specialized concentrations: **biotechnology, business, citrus, and pre-graduate studies.**



MAKE VALUABLE CONNECTIONS

Our location in the heart of Florida's **\$9 billion** agricultural industry provides many opportunities to gain career-launching experience with commercial growers, packers, processors, and crop marketers such as Florida's Natural and Syngenta.





With citrus plantings, tropical fruit trees, rose gardens, a plant tissue culture lab, and greenhouse facilities, you'll have access to living laboratories right here on campus.

APPLY WHAT YOU LEARN

Our support of student-faculty collaborative research will allow you to explore plant nutrition, propagation methods, and other aspects of optimizing crop production conditions.



CONDUCT ORIGINAL RESEARCH —

Our support of engaged learning encourage you to explore everything from the genetics of heritage rose varieties, to testing new citrus rootstock varieties, to developing commercially viable methods for growing greenhouse crops.



GAIN REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE —

Gain on-the-job training in an aspect of citrus or horticultural science that interests you. Participate in a summer internship with a nursery, tree farm, citrus grove operation, agri-chemical company, a fertilizer company, or a research lab.



PLUG IN TO A SUPPORTIVE

COMMUNITY — When you join FSC's chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho, an agricultural social and professional fraternity, you'll get connected with thousands of members worldwide who can assist in your career development.



“ I credit my success to the many opportunities I had at FSC to gain firsthand experience. Exposure to the diverse aspects of the industry gave me the skills needed to improve nursery practices, allowing me to own and manage one of the largest and most efficient citrus nurseries in the world.”

— **Phillip Ruck '83**,
Ruck Citrus Nurseries and
president of the Florida
Nursery Growers and
Landscape Association