

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary**

Course Prefix and Number: HRT 120

Credits: 3

Course Title: History of Garden Design

Course Description: Studies the development of gardens as they chronicle the development of civilization. Introduces the periods, in both Europe and North America, beginning with settlement, on through industrial development, land and space utilization, to current environmental concerns. Explores physical and cultural influences on garden design and utilization. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: Help students to develop an appreciation of the influences that have affected our current design of gardens.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

None

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- a. Demonstrate an understanding for the influence of previous civilizations and societies upon contemporary design; and
- b. Identify the characteristics of various design traditions in a variety of contexts.

Major Topics to Be Included:

- a. Introduction to vocabulary and philosophy of the course
- b. Eastern cultures and medieval gardens
- c. French renaissance
- d. Contemporary design

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