

## **Desert Landscape School Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What is the Desert Landscape School?**

The Desert Landscape School is a signature credentialing program at Desert Botanical Garden. It offers professionals, homeowners and gardeners an opportunity to learn from experts about all aspects of desert landscaping and earn a credential upon completion.

### **Where are classes held?**

With only a few exceptions, classes are held at Desert Botanical Garden, where students have access to the Garden's collection of desert plants.

### **How do I earn the Desert Landscape School credential?**

The School offers six different certificate programs, upon successfully completing all six Desert Landscape School certificates.

### **How long does it take to complete a certificate?**

Most of our programs consist of 20 hours of instruction and participants can complete it in 11-12 weeks after enrollment.

### **When are classes held?**

Most classes are scheduled on weekends or weekday evenings to accommodate working professionals.

### **What are the requirements to achieve a certificate?**

Students who wish to receive a certificate upon completion of each program must meet the attendance requirement and reach or surpass the minimum score set for the program's assessment exam.

### **How many hours of studying on my own can I expect?**

Students should expect to spend two to four hours each week during the program devoted to studying the materials, reading and/or completing assignments.

### **How long does it take to earn the Desert Landscape School credential?**

The amount of time it takes to earn the credential depends on how many certificates a student takes at each season/offerings. It is possible for students to earn the credential within one year.

### **How many times a year is each certificate program offered?**

Each certificate program is offered twice a year.

### **How much does the program cost?**

The average cost for each certificate program is \$275 for members and \$344 for the general public.

### **How do I register for each certificate program?**

Students may [register online](#) or at 480 481.8146.

### **Which certificate is right for me?**

The description for each certificate is a good resource for deciding if the program will meet your needs. If you have further questions about the curriculum, please contact Angelica Elliott, Program Development Manager, Adult Education at [aelliott@dbg.org](mailto:aelliott@dbg.org) or call 480 481.8171.