Course Focus
HORT 345 - Market Gardening
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Market gardening class focuses on small scale intensive production of vegetables, flowers, and herbs. The course utilizes the garden plots and high tunnels at the horticulture farm, where students learn to analyze a soil test, prepare the garden for planting, and practice a variety of seeding and transplanting methods. Students investigate the various direct market opportunities available to growers in the region as well as integrated pest management approaches to weeds, insects and diseases. New this year is a service learning component as the class has designed and installed the kitchen garden beds at HRDC’s Community Café.

Field trips to area farms and the infamous trip to David’s bee yard round out the last week of class.