

**PSPP 232**  
**Herbaceous Ornamentals**  
**Spring 2008**  
**Lecture Wednesday, Friday 11:00 – 11:50**  
**211 Plant Growth Center**  
**Labs:**  
**Wednesday or Friday: 1:10-3:00**

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TAs:

Text Book: Manual of Herbaceous Ornamental Plants. Steven M. Still. 4<sup>th</sup>. Ed.

Objectives:

- Learn to identify 100 species of annual/herbaceous perennial plants to family, genus and species.
- Learn cultural requirements of the plants, including landscape placement, care and flowering period.
- Acquire a basic understanding of the major plant family characteristics.

Grading: Grading will be based on a percentage of the 700 total possible points:

Lecture midterm exam:	100 pts.
Weekly lab quizzes:	180 pts.
(there will be 10 weekly lab quizzes worth 20 pts each; your lowest quiz score will be dropped)	
Lab final exam:	100 pts.
Lecture final exam:	100 pts. (Thurs. May 10 <sup>th</sup> , 8 – 9:50 am)
Annual project	100 pts.
Plant family fact sheet	50 pts.
House plant propagation	20 pts.
Participation:	50 pts.

Final grades will be determined based on the following grading scale:

A	95-100
A-	90-94
B+	87-89
B	84-86
B-	80-83
C+	77-79
C	74-76
C-	70-73
D+	67-69
D	60-66

If necessary, a standard curve will be used to determine the final grades.

Out of class  
assignments:

Each student will complete two out of class projects:

1. Annual project. Each student will produce one annual species from seed. During the last four weeks of class, students will present a short presentation describing your species.
2. Plant family fact sheet. Each student will write a one-page description of an important plant family, and make a brief presentation to the class during the last four weeks of the class.

Academic  
Misconduct:

Students violating MSU academic standards of conduct (e.g. cheating, falsification, plagiarism, etc.) will be subject to the University's academic and/or disciplinary sanctions. The complete policy can be found online at:  
[http://www2.montana.edu/policy/student\\_conduct/cg400.html](http://www2.montana.edu/policy/student_conduct/cg400.html)