

INFORMATION

on the Field practice course for the first-year students of the Landscape Engineering BSc programme

In the name of my colleagues, I warmly welcome you as a newly admitted student to the Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences! Please read carefully the information below.

According to the academic calendar, first-year students of the Landscape Engineering BSc programme will take part in a field practice of one week between **9th-13th September**, held primarily in the Soroksár Botanical Garden. The course code is NOVTR226N, and its successful accomplishment is a compulsory prerequisite of the course NOVTR079N.

The practice is organised and led by faculty members and technical staff of the Department of Botany and of Soroksár Botanical Garden. The learning aids are the documents '*Plant list and introductive botanical knowledge for bachelor students*', and "Morphology Figures" available on the course E-learning website.

Please bring these documents to the field practice printed in A/4 format.

It is highly recommended to get acquainted with the plant list and basic plant terminology prior to the field practice. Knowledge accumulated during the practice will be tested with a short test at the end of the week. A successful test will be necessary to obtain the signature for the course. Details of the test will be provided during the field practice. Questions will include species and family latin names, and basics of plant morphology.

Activities are held between 8:00-16:00 each day, after which students can study individually until 17:00. Taking notes during the field practice is mandatory.

Equipment necessary for the field practice week:

- a notebook and pen or pencil.
- magnifying glass (at least 4×).
- proper clothing and closed shoes, probably wellingtons or rubber boots for fieldworks.
- protecting cap / hat and sunscreen in case of intense sunshine.
- mackintosh.
- repellent against ticks and mosquitoes.
- food and beverage enough for the whole day (there is no buffet, shop or restaurant in the vicinity of the Garden!);

Recommended public transport to Soroksár Botanical Garden

The Botanical Garden is available with the bus no. 166 from the bus stop 'Pesterzsébet – Városközpont'. From the city centre it is most easily to get to this transfer spot from the Boráros tér with busses 23 and 23E or from the underground stop 'Határút' of M3 line, with busses 66 and 66E. From 'Pesterzsébet – Városközpont' bus 166 starts at **6:40, 7:00, 7:30**. The Botanical Garden is at the bus stop called 'Kertészeti Egyetem'. From the bus stop guiding tables show the way to the Botanical Garden ('Soroksári Botanikus Kert' in Hungarian). (For further details, visit the website of the Centre for Budapest Transport: https://bkk.hu/en

For students arriving by car, parking space is available at the front gate of the Botanical Garden.

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