Learn the Basics of Commercial Blackberry Production

University of Arkansas Extension and Research faculty will share their expertise throughout the course. Each class period will be split between classroom and field instruction.

Participants will be asked to register for all 4 classes; individual class registrations will be allowed only as space permits.

All four classes will be held at the Fruit Research Station in Clarksville, AR.

Online Registration

https://forms.uaex.edu/registrations/hort/hort.asp

Deadline for registration: Jan. 20th, 2017

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Arkansas Blackberry School

2017

Blackberry production through the seasons

2017 Course Dates

Winter   Feb 9th.
Spring   April 18th
Summer   June 13th
Fall   Sept.   (TBD)

1:00-4:00pm

Registration: $40

Includes all four classes, printed course materials and snacks/ refreshments at each class.

Topics

Winter
Classroom Topics
Site selection and planning
Pruning and trellising
Variety selection, Dr. John Clark
Winter pest management

Field Activities
Winter pruning & pest ID

Spring
Classroom Topics
Crop physiology & fertility
Spring pest management
Spotted Wing Drosophila & Broad Mites, Dr. Donn Johnson

Field Activities
Spring pruning: Tipping
Insect monitoring techniques
Air blast demonstration

Summer
Classroom Topics
Nutrient & physiological disorders, Dr. Elena Garcia
Post-harvest , Dr. Renee Threlfall
Summer pest management

Field Activities
Harvest
Pest ID & physiological disorders

Fall
Classroom Topics
Marketing, Insights from a grower (TBD)
Fall clean-up &pest management

Field Activities
Fall field clean up and pest ID