



WHAT WILL YOU BE EQUIPPED TO DO AFTER TAKING CLASSES?

Learn how to:

- Remove invasive plants
- Leverage prescribed burns
- Collect native seeds
- Plant native seeds, shrubs, and plants
- Monitor native species
- Advocate for nature in your community
- Pursue or advance a career in habitat restoration or community engagement



“There’s never been such an important time to get involved. We need people with a passion for stewardship.”

–Cindy Crosby
Program graduate

PROGRAM OUTLINE

The following requirements are needed to complete the Natural Areas Conservation Training (N-ACT) Program certificate.

You do not have to be enrolled in the Natural Areas Conservation Training Program or actively working toward certification to take a class! Certification means you will acquire the skills to lead others in ecological restoration. While some classes have prerequisite skills, you can start anywhere in the program and classes do not need to be taken in order. Previous experience or training may enable you to test out of some courses.

Fundamentals

Intro to Ecological Restoration
Basic Plant ID
Ecosystem Concepts
Invasive Species

Plant Identification

Choose One: Woodland Trees, Plants of the Prairie, or Plants of the Wetlands
Site Planning for Invasive Species

Restoration Ecology

Natural Areas Management
Choose One: Woodland, Prairie, or Wetland Ecology

Applied Topics

Tools Use for Natural Areas Management
Volunteer Leadership
First Aid/CPR

Volunteer Hours

30 hours
One observed workday