CITRUS PEST MANAGEMENT COURSE OFFERED IN SPRING

Citrus Pest Management (PMA 5205, section no. 2563) will be offered at the University of Florida/IFAS Citrus Research and Education Center (CREC) in Lake Alfred for the Spring 2007 term. Citrus Pest Management is a graduate-level course (3.0 units) for students and citrus industry personnel working in the area of pest management. The course reviews the latest tactics and strategies available to manage diseases and arthropod, nematode and weed pests of citrus. Emphasis is given to techniques by which pest and disease organisms are monitored and how this information is used to effectively manage pests with the least risk to the environment.

Course topics include:

- Identification and biology of citrus pests and diseases
- Pest and disease monitoring
- Ecological and economic principles as a basis for pest management
- Economic thresholds and pest management models
- Integrated pest management in citrus

The course is coordinated by Dr. Larry Duncan, University of Florida/IFAS, Professor of Nematology.

University credit (3.0) or audit credit. CEU’s will be offered.

Dates/Time: Thursdays, Jan. 11 – May 3, 2007; 3 - 6 p.m.

Location: University of Florida/IFAS Citrus Research and Education Center, Ben Hill Griffin, Jr. Citrus Hall Teaching Laboratory, 700 Experiment Station Road, Lake Alfred, Florida. Tel. (863) 956-1151.

Textbook: Citrus Health Management (APS Press). L.W. Timmer and Larry W. Duncan, editors. Written by 26 citrus specialists, Citrus Health Management was designed specifically for this course.

Registration: Registration cost for Citrus Pest Management (PMA 5205; Section no. 2563) is $853.32 for Florida residents. Regular and non-degree registration is Jan. 5-8 and students are strongly encouraged to register early. Students must complete the registration procedures outlined at http://entnemdept.ufl.edu/dept_disted.htm. This site contains an option for non-degree students with step by step instructions and explanations. Non-degree students are encouraged to visit the site in advance of registration. For registration assistance, please contact Ms Debbie Hall (352-392-1901 x 117; dahall@ufl.edu). For additional information about the class contact Dr. Larry Duncan (863-956-1151; lwduncan@ufl.edu).