## **Recommended & Required Reading**

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The National Gardener – 4 issues per year Student/Consultant Guide

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Botany for Gardeners, Brian Capon
Nature's Best Hope, Douglas W. Tallamy
Secrets to Great Soil (Storey's Gardening Skills Illustrated), Elizabeth Stell
You Tube video Secrets to Great Soil
The New Western Garden Book: The Ultimate Gardening Guide (Sunset Western Garden Book
(Paper) Ninth Edition, Editors of Sunset

In addition to the above, it is recommended that literature appropriate to the gardening region in which each Course is held be used as references. This list may be sent to all registrants with their study packet (outlines) prior to the Course date. The NGC GS Chairman may give permission for substitution of any book that is more appropriate for local specifics, upon request of the State GS Chairman

# **Supplemental Subjects**

## SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECTS

The State GSS Chairman may suggest other subjects for approval by the Accrediting Chairman. Local interests will be considered.

- Any plant-related subject approved by the NGC Accrediting Chairman.
- Gardening for Wildlife/Habitat resources include National Pollinator Garden Network and The Million Pollinator Garden Challenge, and National Wildlife Federation (see NGC website: The Million Pollinator Garden Challenge)
- Heirlooms (vegetables, flowers) Invasive Plants
- Reconciliation Ecology (see article in the fall 2015 issue of *The National Gardener*) Power Point presentation available on NGC Gardening School web site
- Vermiculture/Vermicomposting