



The Sustainable Classroom...

Expanding Campus Initiatives

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The Challenges

- FIT uses 1,000,000 sheets of paper per **MONTH! (4,000 lbs)**
- 1 ton of uncoated virgin (non-recycled) printing and office paper uses 24 trees
- FIT uses 48 trees per month.

We can and must do better.



Initiatives

- Student expectations and insight with regard to sustainable practices in the classroom.
- Course related materials can be selected with greater sensitivity to cost and responsible practices. E-Books, affordable or used text books.
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- Providing feedback to students using Track Changes and Adobe Acrobat. Read and grade using tablet or pc resources.

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Sustainable Design

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About this guide

This guide is intended to aid in the research of products and processes toward the objective of sustainable design. Resources highlight the interdependence of social, environmental, and economic responsibility, often referred to as the "triple bottom line" or "three pillar" model of sustainability and distinct from the concept of green design with focus primarily or exclusively on environmental impact.

Social responsibility is used to refer to social equity, health consequences, policies and labor practices of corporations, and the effects of products, processes, and materials on people and their communities. Individuals, communities, and their environments are affected through the resource acquisition; manufacture, production, and distribution; installation, use, and maintenance; and end use or disposal life cycle of materials.

Additional references may be found at <http://www3.fitnyc.edu/sustainabilityatfit/>.

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Tools

- **Acrobat Pro**-available in the CET and all Student Labs. No longer comes with CS5
- **Acrobat Reader**-Free for everyone on any platform <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>
- **Microsoft Office**- Free to all FIT faculty. Go to room C-305-B Customer Service to pick up your copy.
- **Angel**-Use Drop boxes and share documents

Tablet Tools

- iPad Applications of value all available at the Apple App Store (free - \$10.)
- **GoodReader**-Read, manage and annotate
- **PDFReader Pro**-Read, manage and annotate
- **iAnnotate-Read**, manage and annotate
- **Penultimate**-Draw-write and share
- **iBooks**, **Kindle** and **Google Books** all provide ready access to ebooks.

Browser Tools

- Firefox is preferred for all work at FIT

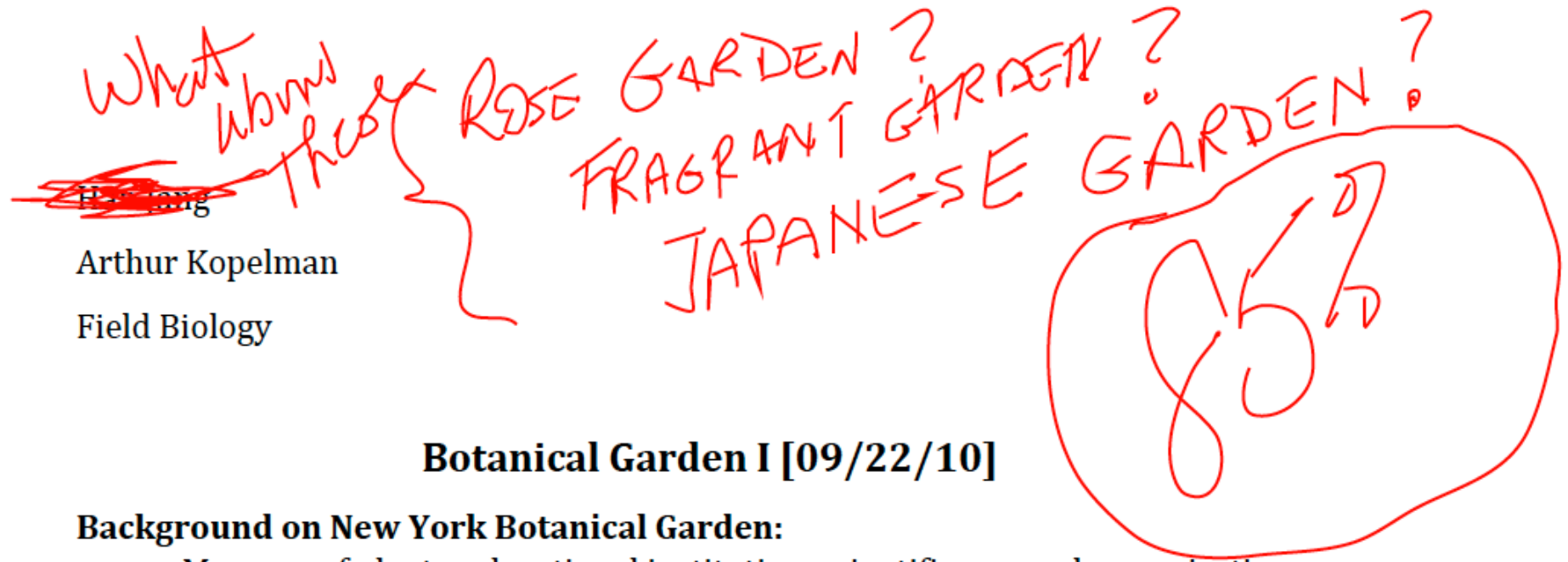


PDF Plugin allows you to read PDF files in the browser and download.

In Practice

- Experiment with your own workflow to find the best combination of products and sequence to suit your needs.
- Share your ideas and intentions with your students, they often have good ideas. This will involve them in the process of being more responsible citizens.

Feedback Methods



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Field Biology

Botanical Garden I [09/22/10]

Background on New York Botanical Garden:

- Museum of plants, educational institution, scientific research organization
- Founded in 1891
- Largest in the US (in a city)
- Over 1 million plants
- Continuing Education program, Children's Education program
- Herbarium: fourth largest in the world, largest in Western Hemisphere
- 250-acre landscape, 50 curated display gardens, 50-acre native Forest

Source—<http://www.nybg.org/about/>

Scheidecker's Crabapple (*Malus ~~Scheideckeri~~*)

Rosaceae (Rose) family

A photograph of a row of large, ancient trees with thick, gnarled trunks and sprawling branches, heavily covered in vibrant green moss. The trees are set in a lush green park with a red brick path visible in the background. The scene is captured in soft, natural light, creating a serene and timeless atmosphere.

Thank You