

Day 1	Tuesday, July 29 th , 2025 – Class at UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-test • Introduction to Course, instructors, and students • Icebreaker activity
2:00 pm – 4:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Invasive Plants of Florida presentation and activity • Agency Discussion, reporting and mapping applications and websites
Day 2	Thursday, July 31 st , 2025 – Class at UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County
8:30 am - 12:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant Morphology presentation, live plant samples, and dichotomous key activity; Guest speaker: Ashley Ellis, Residential Horticulture Agent • Walk around Demonstration area and Twin Lakes to identify invasive plants and review morphology
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Lunch on your own
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upland Invasive Plant presentation and activities • Bonus info on invasive animals • Invasive Plant Management Prioritization activity
Day 3	Tuesday, August 5 th , 2025 – AM Field Trips and PM Class at UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upland Invasive Plant field trips • Meet at Pinecraft Park, 1420 Gilbert Ave, Sarasota, FL 34239, by 8am • Travel From Pinecraft Park to Red Bug Slough, 5200 Beneva Road Sarasota, FL 34231 <p>Upland invasives and managing for Invasives on Sarasota County Lands- Guest speaker: Liz Gandy, Sarasota County Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resource</p>
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Lunch on your own and travel to Extension office
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hands-on identification and strategies of aquatic invasives and look-a-likes activity • Aquatic Invasive Plant presentation and activity • Case studies using EDIS document on herbicide use with aquatic invasives • Herbicide use for aquatic invasives - Guest speaker TBD:
Day 4	Thursday, August 7 th , 2025– AM Field Trips and PM Class TBD
8:00 am – 9:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field Trip at Celery Fields, 6893 Palmer Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34240 • Meet at Raymond Road Boardwalk by 8am <p>Discuss management of aquatic invasives - Guest speaker from Sarasota County Public Works: Stormwater</p>
9:30 am – 10:15 am	Travel from Celery Fields to Myakka River State Park , 13208 State Rd 72, Sarasota, FL 34241 ;
10:15 am – 12:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field trip to Myakka River State Park <p>Impacts and management of invasive grasses and aquatic plants -Guest speaker from Myakka River State Park staff</p>
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch and travel to Location TBD
1:30 pm - 3:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final questions and wrap up • Post-test • Course evaluation • Graduation