

2012 BEE MASTERS COURSE

The 2012 Bee Masters Course will be held **February 20 - 24, 2012** at the Michael Smith Building, 2185 East Mall, UBC.

The Bee Masters course is a week-long, intensive course in advanced beekeeping that has been held every second year since the mid 1950s. The course is organized by the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and offers in-depth information about all facets of bees and beekeeping management. Topics include Integrated Pest Management (IPM), the role of drugs and chemicals, HACCP, economics of commercial beekeeping, PCR diagnostics and much more. The course combines illustrated lectures, laboratory periods, social events, lots of discussion, and an optional final examination. Participants should have had some beekeeping experience and familiarity with bee biology and behaviour. Hobbyists, sideliners, and commercial beekeepers are all welcome, and will benefit from this enjoyable course.

Lecturers for the 2012 course include Dr. Leonard Foster, UBC; Dr, Stephen Pernal, AAFC-Beaverlodge; Dr. Amanda Van Haga, UBC; Dr, Elisabeth Elle, SFU; Dr. Rob Currie, Manitoba; John Gibeau of Honey Bee Centre; Heather Higo, Queen Breeder; Jaquie Bunse, Apiary Inspector; Paul van Westendorp, BC Provincial Apiculturist, and others.

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