Late spring in a nature-friendly residential landscape in the Eugene area. Plants include aspen, vine maple, cow-parsnip, goatsbeard, western bleeding-heart, and candyflower—all of which are native here in Oregon’s Upper Willamette Valley.

The choice is ours: We can continue to design and maintain static, ecologically dysfunctional landscapes on life support that are arguably attractive, cost a great deal both to install and to maintain, and provide very few environmental benefits—or we can create and care for dynamic landscapes that support life, are pleasing to the eye, cost very little, and provide a host of environmental benefits.

- An information-packed elective that will shake up your ideas of what a “sustainable” landscape is
- Designed especially for students in the departments of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, but open to all
- No pre-requisites—although it would be very helpful to have taken the Plants sequence (LA 326-328) or The Nature of Eugene (LA 337)
- More than half of the class is spent outside, including three Saturday-afternoon field trips (from 1-5 p.m.) on 18 January, 1 February, and 15 February
- Limited to only 20 students, so early registration is encouraged

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