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## Online Training Available

<https://pmu.ifas.ufl.edu/>

<https://eces.ifas.ufl.edu/>

## Additional Resources

University of Florida  
Extension Publications  
<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/>

Pest Management in and  
Around Structures  
<http://www.eXtension.org/>

## PMU Focus - Training Issue

As we get ready for the holiday season, companies are planning goals for 2015. We are dedicating this issue to training, including our tentative 2015 PMU schedule. We hope you incorporate PMU into your 2015 goals! We will continue to offer the state exams after the Masters courses in cooperation with FDACS. We also wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support of PMU, making this our most successful year, yet!

In October, we did our first PMU International training for our friends and colleagues from Singapore, Taiwan, Malaysia and Taiwan. We learned a lot from them and how their product use instructions are different than our label. They have over a dozen different termite species, including a mix of "higher" termites in the former family Termitidae, which can make baiting a challenge. (Our *Nasutitermes corniger* [a.k.a. the conehead termite] is also in the Termitidae group.) We also learned that the tropical bed bug (*Cimex hemipterus*) is a frequent pest compared to the common bed bug (*Cimex lectularius* L.) that we deal with.



Fig 1. Nothing like having the boss doing the trenching! Steph

Chua, president and owner of Bentz Jaz (distributor), Singapore, leading by example.

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## Upcoming Training Opportunities:

We are starting to release our **2015** courses. A tentative schedule is published, below. Please check back monthly for updates!

**Must have taken Foundations and Masters to qualify for Expert level.**

### December 2014

#### Expert in Termite Management

**Date:** December 3-5, 2014; Wed-Fri

**Time:** 8 AM-5 PM (W, TH); 8 AM-12 PM (F)

**Place:** UF/IFAS Apopka MREC, 2725 S. Binion Rd, Apopka, FL 32703-8504

**Registration fee:** \$375

#### **Must have completed Foundations and Masters to qualify.**

This intensive course is only offered every other year.

- Hear from building contractors what can go wrong during the building process and how termites exploit these weaknesses.
- Analyze the Florida Building Code requirements for termite proofing structures.
- Review Florida Dept. of Transportation and OSHA requirements, including hazardous communication standards.
- Learn about how termiticides work and more in-depth biology and behavior of WDOs.
- Try out alternative inspection and treatment methods.

[Register here](#)

### L&O Category

#### Masters of Ornamental and Turfgrass Pest Management

**Date:** December 17-19, 2014; Wed-Fri

**Time:** 8 AM-5 PM (W, TH); 8 AM-12 PM (F)

**Place:** UF/IFAS Apopka MREC, 2725 S. Binion Rd, Apopka, FL 32703-8504

**Registration fee:** \$375

Integrated pest management is the key to successfully growing urban plants. Know if or when treatment is needed, how to

decide what your options are, how to manage pesticide resistance, and evaluate your control strategies.

Please contact Dr. Eileen Buss (eabuss@ufl.edu, (352) 273-3976) directly with questions concerning these courses.

[Register here](#)

## 2015 PMU Proposed Schedule

Proposed 2015	Course
<b>January</b>	
1/13-1/15	Foundations of Ornamental Turf Tentative
Jan 21-23	Termite Foundations 101 (2) Open, <a href="#">register here</a>
<b>February</b>	
Feb. 3-5	GHP Foundations 101 (1) <b>(CLOSED, FULL)</b>
Feb 11-13	GHP Foundations 101 (2) Open, <a href="#">register here</a>
2/18-20	Foundations of Ornamental Turf Tentative
Feb 25-27	Termite Foundations 101 (3)
<b>March</b>	
March 12-13	WDO Inspections (1) Open,, <a href="#">register here</a>
3/18-3/20	Foundations of Ornamental Turf
March 25-27	GHP Foundations 101 (2)
<b>April</b>	
April 15-17	Termite Foundations 101 (4)
April 29-May 1	GHP Foundations 101 (3) *if needed
<b>May</b>	
<b>June</b>	
June 25	GHP Basics
June 26	Termite Basics

<b>July</b>	
<b>August</b>	
8/26-8/28	Foundations of Ornamental Turf
<b>September</b>	
Sept. 16-18	Termite Foundations 101 (5)
Sept 30-Oct 2	GHP Foundations (4)
<b>October</b>	
Oct 14-16	Termite Masters with state exam Friday PM
10/21-10/23	Foundations of Ornamental Turf
Oct 28-30	GHP Masters with state exam Friday PM
<b>November</b>	
<b>December</b>	
Dec 2-4	GHP Expert
Dec 16-18	L&O Masters with state exam

Click on links for course descriptions or go to <http://pmu.ifas.ufl.edu/courses> for more information

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## Learn more from IFAS



- UF/IFAS has Extension Offices in each Florida's sixty-seven counties. We also have twelve Research and Education Centers and Research and Demonstration Sites (RDSs).
- If you need help a great place to start is your local County Extension Office. With an office located in every county it has never been easier to partner with the University of Florida and your local County Government. To find the office near you please visit: <http://solutionsforyourlife.ufl.edu/ma>

