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## Online Training Available

<https://pmu.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/>

## Calling All Ants and Cockroaches!

If you have collectable numbers of tawny crazy ants, big-headed, white-footed, pharaoh, ghost, carpenter ants, please email Faith: [foi@ufl.edu](mailto:foi@ufl.edu)

Collectable numbers of German cockroaches? We will take those too!

Thank you! Faith [foi@ufl.edu](mailto:foi@ufl.edu)

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## Training Opportunities:

We wanted to provide our PMU friends the opportunity to register for the remaining spring classes before the notice is sent to the larger list. Seats are going fast so register soon!

For **2018 spring courses**: <http://pmu.ifas.ufl.edu/courses>

### February-May 2018

#### **Foundations of Lawn and Ornamentals Pest Management 101 (Next class Oct 3-5)**

**Date:** [February 21-23, 2018; W-F](#)

**Place:** UF/IFAS Apopka MREC

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

**Registration fee:** \$385

- Learn about the general Florida licensing requirements for technicians and sales staff.
- Be able to pass DACS vehicle inspections, practice doing a spill drill, and learn the best ways to minimize risks before, during, and after an application.
- Learn to identify diseases, insects, and weeds in lawns and ornamentals and best management practices for their control.
- Gain hands on experience reading and understanding pesticide labels, calculating treatment areas, and calibrating application equipment for lawns, shrubs, and other ornamental plants.

[Register here](#)

### **MARCH COURSES**

#### **Master of Termite Management with State Exam Option (5 seats remaining, next offering: Oct 17-19)**

**Date:** March 7-9, 2018; 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:** \$385

Must have completed Foundations in order to advance.

- Review termite identification, biology and control and learn about wood-destroying beetles and wood-decaying fungi.
- Learn how:
  1. To do a proper borate application
  2. Baits work
  3. To use foam and application techniques to optimize the distribution of liquid termiticides in soil with the Bayer University toys
- Learn about the duties of a certified operator, contract requirements, surviving an FDACS inspection
- Do an inspection for WDOs at PMU's house designed to challenge even experienced inspectors.

[Register here](#)

#### **Master of Lawn and Ornamental Pest Management (2 seats remaining, next offering Oct 31-Nov 2)**

**Date:** March 21-23, 2018; 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:** \$385

- Advanced training in diagnosing complex problems in lawns and landscapes, including nutritional deficiencies and the importance of pH in developing integrated pest management (IPM) treatment plans
- More in-depth information on the biology and life cycle of diseases, insects, and weeds, how to manage resistant

populations, chemical modes of action and the importance of chemical rotation

- Learn about practices that can impact plant health and water quality

[Register](#)

**Foundations of General Pest Management 101 (March 21-23 FULL; WAIT LIST ONLY; [May 2-4 open](#))**

**Date:** [May 2-4, 2018](#)

**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:** \$385

Pest control matters. Cockroach allergen mitigation can be achieved with IPM.

- Study domestic and peridomestic cockroach species and how to control them as well as rodent, small fly, filth fly, mosquitoes, occasional invaders, fire ant, and nuisance ant management.
- Review the labels of commonly used GHP products, practice pest inspections at PMU's house and develop treatment strategies focused on IPM.
- Do a vehicle inspection and spill drill with Paul Mitola from FDACS.

[Register here](#)

**APRIL COURSES**

**Foundations of Termite Management 101**

**Date:** [APRIL 4-6, 2018 \(Next offering Sept 5-7\)](#)

**Place:** UF/IFAS Apopka MREC

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

**Registration fee:** \$385

Learn how termites exploit over 50 building construction elements and how to treat them in a hands-on environment in 2-days instead of 2 years.

- Practice doing a DACS vehicle inspection and spill drill with Paul Mitola from DACS before a crisis occurs.

- Hear about the top 5 reasons technicians get in trouble and how to avoid them.
- Get more in-depth information on termite biology and behavior as well as product label navigation.

[Register here](#)

**Master of General Household Pest Management (3 seats remaining, next offering Oct 10-12)**

**Date:** April 18-20, 2018; 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:** \$385

Must have completed Foundations in order to advance.

- Learn about bed bugs and other biting and stinging arthropods, stored product pests, and fabric/museum pests
- Learn about the importance of disease transmission for selected pests
- Play with the tools of the trade, vacuums, steamers, foamers and practice spray patterns.
- Learn about the importance of formulations and product rotation

[Register here](#)

## Taking the state exam with PMU? To qualify, you must:

- Take the Foundations **and** Masters courses for GHP, WDO, or L&O
  - Fill out an application package for the certified operator exam [online](#) at least one week before the exam

Please refer to the [FDACS website](#) for reference study materials. Materials produced by UF/IFAS can be found at the [IFAS Bookstore website](#).

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## Learn more from IFAS



- UF/IFAS has Extension Offices in each of Florida's sixty-seven counties. We also have twelve Research and Education Centers (RECs) and Research and Demonstration Sites (RDSs).
- To find an office near you please visit:  
**<http://solutionsforyourlife.ufl.edu/map/>**

