Volunteering
at the University of Bristol
Botanic Garden

GARDENING
The University of Bristol Botanic Garden is filled with a huge diversity of plants, including many exotic species, set in inspirational displays against the backdrop of a striking Victorian house.

Volunteers are essential to the running of the Garden and are a respected and valued part of the workforce. Some have been with us for over 20 years supporting the work of the Botanic Garden in a variety of ways.

Primarily we are looking for people who can offer enthusiasm, reliability and commitment. Particular skills are useful but not essential.

Garden volunteers help with day-to-day maintenance of the Garden including border work, planting, weeding, raking and seed cleaning. Some gardening experience is helpful as is a reasonable level of fitness.

Volunteering is a rewarding and enjoyable way in which to help ensure that the Botanic Garden continues to develop and flourish.

“Volunteering at the Garden gave me experience and helped me to decide that botanic gardens is where I want my career to go; I'm now heading to Kew Gardens to do an apprenticeship.”

Tim, Garden volunteer

“I volunteer at the Garden to live and to learn!”

Toni, Garden volunteer

“I love plants (although study maths) and volunteering at the Garden provides a sanctuary from the pressures of University work.”

Ali, Garden volunteer

Contact us
For more details about volunteering at the Botanic Garden
• Email: botanic-gardens@bristol.ac.uk
• Call the Garden Administrator on 0117 428 2041
• Or visit the Botanic Garden’s website:
www.bris.ac.uk/botanic-garden
University of Bristol
Botanic Garden
Gardening volunteer form

Please detach and fill out this form, returning it to the address below

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________________

Telephone: ________________________________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________________________

Please indicate the amount of time which you would be able to give:
❑ Half a day a week   ❑ One day a week   ❑ More

Garden volunteers need to commit to a regular slot for at least six months
to a year to provide continuity within our volunteer team. Please note that
we cannot accommodate gardening volunteers at the weekends.

Please indicate your preferred day:
❑ Mon   ❑ Tues   ❑ Wed   ❑ Thurs   ❑ Fri

If you are currently studying or applying for a course in horticulture,
garden design or similar please give details here:

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More opportunities
We are also looking for:
• Welcome volunteers
• Help with Garden events
• Refreshments volunteers
• Garden guides
• Publicity
Contact us or visit the website for more details