

Horticulture: Instructor

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Lee College is proud to recognize the leadership role of NISOD and its commitment to professional development opportunities for community college faculty and administrators. The NISOD conference represents its signature event to promote the continued improvement of teaching and learning with the ultimate goal of student success both inside and outside the classroom.

Lee College was one of the first institutions of higher learning to offer college credit classes to offenders in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in 1967 ... and is considered one of the largest prison college educational programs in the world today. The Huntsville Center currently offers student offenders at eight correctional units course work leading to the completion of three fully accredited associate degrees:

Associate of Arts in Humanities; Associate of Applied Science; and Associate of Science: Business Administration and Management.

James T. "Scooter" Langley Jr. holds a Bachelor's Degree in Horticulture and Crop Management from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville Texas. Additionally, Scooter is a Landscape Consultant for A&B Lawn Service with 7-8 Years Landscape and Lawn Maintenance experience. He has a Pesticide Handling License from Texas Department of Agriculture and is a member of the Texas Turfgrass Association and Organic Horticulture Benefits Alliance. Scooter began teaching Horticulture in August 2008.

Although he is one of the most recent additions to the Lee College faculty, Scooter comes from a long tradition of teaching excellence. James T. "J.T." Langley Sr. founded the Horticulture program in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in 1968. Throughout Scooter's childhood he watched his father profoundly affect the lives of men in a positive way and was thus inspired to make a difference in the lives of men for the future.

"My dad used to say, 'A day don't make a week,'" says Scooter. "In that same vein, a mistake doesn't make a lifetime. Plant a man in the right soil and give him plenty of light and the right nutrients, and he will prosper."