Department of Horticulture Priorities, 2011-2012
based on input and discussion from townhall meetings

**Instructional**
- Identify instructors and teach our full Horticulture major in 2011-2012
- Redefine our Major during 2011-2012, focusing on food systems, sustainability, plant breeding, environmental horticulture
- Begin organization of broad non-majors seminar “A Growing Dilemma” to teach in 2012
- Seek shared student services-advising position based in Horticulture
- Actively pursue use of Horticulture 799 Teaching Practicum for our graduate students
- Remove caps from some of our courses to attract more students
- Begin new study abroad program in Italy in 2012

**Relations, Personnel, and Resources**
- Reactivate and broaden Stakeholder Advisory Committee
- Activate marketing efforts including newsletter, web, social media
- Develop plans for allocation of state RA and TA resources
- Examine sustainability of research infrastructure investments such as field and farm costs
- Seek faculty position in Urban food Systems
- Seek faculty position in Breeding Asexually Propagated Crops
- Support Landscape Architecture’s pursuit of Herbaceous Plant Design position
- Seek lecturer or teaching support positions to fill key curricular needs if faculty expertise cannot be secured

**Organization and Governance**
- Seek permanent financial specialist position
- Study ways to provide shared services in various areas of departmental operations
- Reorganize certain committees, such as Academic Staff Committee
- Meet goal of completing all annual performance evaluations
- Emphasize departmental participation in governance
- Conduct required department review during Spring semester, focusing on B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. programs

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