



Keeping Campus Blooming



After the February, March, and April showers, campus landscapes are bursting with growth — bringing us plenty of weeds right alongside the flowers. Spring is one of the busiest and most rewarding times of year in the garden, with plenty to tackle as we prepare the campus for Commencement season.

Evergreen shrubs are ready for their spring pruning to keep them tidy and healthy, while roses already need deadheading and feeding to ensure continuous blooms through Commencement.

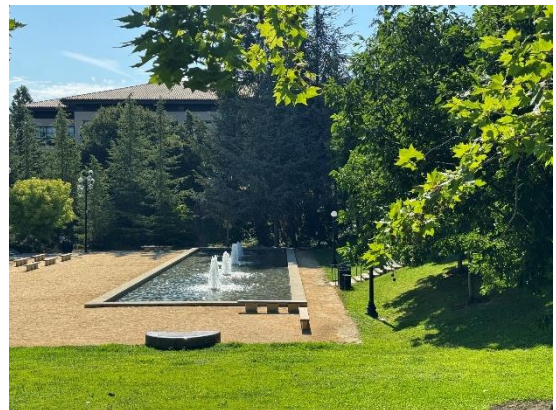
Citrus trees are also asking for attention after the winter months, often looking a bit yellow and tired. Pruning out dead or crossing branches — much like we do with roses — helps improve airflow, minimize disease, and even makes harvesting those fantastic citrus crops a little easier on your arms.

For those looking for home gardening inspiration, this is the perfect time to get vegetables planted. Temperatures are becoming consistently warm, and the soil is finally ready for strong growth. Roll up your sleeves, clear out winter debris that may have collected in planting beds, and give your gardens a fresh start.

Cleanliness is one of the simplest and most effective ways to support healthy plants.

Prune, fertilize where needed, and plant until your wallet says otherwise. Then enjoy the reward of your labor — flowers blooming, vegetables growing, and fruit ripening.

Gardening brings great exercise, free therapy, a sense of accomplishment, and yes... a few sore muscles along the way. Welcome to spring on the streets of Stanford. Commencement is coming, and all departments are moving full force to make campus shine.



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