



AGROECOLOGY FIELD QUARTER

SUMMER 2025

COURSE OVERVIEW

The UC Agroecology Field Quarter Summer 2025, running from July 7th to August 22nd offers a full-time, 7- week residential and traveling course accommodating up to 20 students from UC campuses and partnering universities and colleges. Three classes and a lab are included in the Field Quarter course. Throughout the entire program, emphasis is placed on field study, featuring hands-on experiential learning activities on the land and in communities. Additionally, students will engage in visits to academic, farmer, and community-based organizations at the forefront of Agroecology research, extension, and farming operations.



CLASSES INCLUDED

- ENVS 133C ENVS Agroecology Practicum (5 Units)
- ENVS 130A Agroecology And Sustainable Agriculture (5 Units)
- ENVS 130L Agroecology And Sustainable Agriculture Laboratory (2 Units)
- ENVS 130C Field Experiences In Agroecology And Sustainable Food (5 Units)



COURSE DETAILS

COURSE INFO



Weekly Schedule

The land-based, practice-focused, in-person program runs Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 8 am to 3 pm, with the remaining time dedicated to unstructured discussions, readings, and assignments. This is the typical daily and weekly pattern, however, occasionally the schedule will run longer to accommodate host schedules and travel. Rest and recuperation time for students, staff, and faculty is taken seriously. Some travel will occur on weekends. In-person participation in the entire 7-weeks of residential travel is required. Missing instructional time accommodations will be made for medical, spiritual, and family necessities. Housing arrangements will prioritize individual student's needs for privacy and safety. The course welcomes DRC accommodations. For questions regarding accommodations, please get in touch with Damian Parr (dmparr@ucsc.edu).

- 4 weeks on the Farm at UC Santa Cruz Center for Agroecology and surrounding regional community-based organizations and farms
- 1 week in the Fresno area at the UC Kearney Ag Experiment Station, and regional community-based organizations and farms
- 1 week in the Sacramento area and UC Davis Student Farm, and regional community-based organizations and farms
- 1 week in the East Bay and UC Berkeley Student Farms, and regional community-based organizations and farms



COURSE COSTS

Course Fees

A course fee covers the cost of 7 weeks of housing, food, transportation, and instructional supplies. The Summer 2024 course fee was \$2,740. The Summer 2025 course fee is expected to be similar in cost. UCSC Summer Session charges Tuition and Campus Fees for only the first 10 units, totaling \$3,132. The remaining 7 units are free of cost. If you are taking additional courses over the Summer ([Cuba Agroecology for 6 units](#), for example), those units would also be free of cost. The total cost of course fees, tuition, and campus fees is expected to be \$5,872.

Enrollment

Enrollment is by application and permission of the instructor. An Application will be posted in February. If interested, complete the linked interest form and we will send you an application, once posted. The application is not intended to exclude, but rather to inform instructors on how to best support students' learning.

Questions? Please contact Maria Orozco, Academic Coordinator, Organic Agriculture Institute (mdlorozcoramirez@ucanr.edu)

Scan the QR code to fill out the application linked here!

