



# University of California

Agriculture and Natural Resources

UCCE Master Food Preserver Program

## Volunteer Application Form

UC Master Food Preserver Program Administrative Handbook, Appendix 1

County

Date of Application

First Name

Last Name

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

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Home Phone (with area code)

Work Phone (with area code)

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Cell Phone (with area code)

Email Address (required)

Applicants selected for UC Master Food Preserver Program training must complete a criminal background check (required of all UC agents and volunteers) through the California Department of Justice (DOJ). UC must notify the DOJ if prospective agents are recent residents of California. This information is not considered as part of your application package. How long have you been a resident of California? \_\_\_\_\_

### County Use Only

Driver's License #	Proof of Auto Liability Insurance	Background Check Completed	Orientation	Code of Conduct/Rights & Responsibilities	Date received	Cash or Check # _____
Expiration Date						Fees Paid \$ _____

In compliance with the California Information Practices Act of 1977, the following information is provided: The information on this form is being requested by the University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) for use in the UCCE Master Food Preserver Program. The individual completing this form may make inquiries concerning use of the information collected and may ask to review the form as well as other non-confidential personal information maintained on record by contacting the local UCCE County Director, Advisor, Program Coordinator or the statewide Director for the UC Master Food Preserver Program at: UC Master Food Preserver Program, 2801 2nd Street, Davis, CA 95618-7779.

Information on this form is being requested under the authority of the Smith-Lever Act of 1914 covering Cooperative Extension activities and Article IX, Section 9 of the State of California Constitution covering the University of California. Ethnic information is requested to maintain compliance with Title VI of the civil Rights Act of 1964 and sex information is requested to maintain compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. Statistical information on this form is being collected to satisfy the U.S. Department of Agriculture Extension Service reporting requirements for Affirmative Action and the Federal Affirmative Action Program Report. Statistical information includes sex, ethnic information and residence location. Submission of the above noted information is voluntary and if the information is not submitted by the source, the county master food preserver staff may use his or her judgment to complete the information and satisfy Federal reporting requirements. Other personal information on this form is being collected to provide the County Extension Master Food Preserver staff with information to assist in program planning. This information consists of name, address, phone and email in addition to your skill set assessment.

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Please complete the following, attach additional pages if necessary:

1. What excites you about being a UC Master Food Preserver Program Volunteer?

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2. How did you learn about the UC Master Food Preserver Program? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Volunteering is the heart of the UC Master Food Preserver Program. What volunteer groups have you been involved in (e.g. schools, food banks, service clubs, youth groups, community organizations)? What types of activities have you done with these groups (e.g. food distribution, community organizing, translation services)?

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4. The UC Master Food Preserver Program is working to improve the cultural competency of volunteers to extend outreach to more communities. Please share any work that you have done, personally or professionally, to make yourself or an organization more inclusive to others.

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5. Years of food preservation experience \_\_\_\_\_. Detail types of preserving experiences and any related formal training:

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6. UC Master Food Preserver Program volunteers are teachers and communicators. Please list your experience with any of these teaching/communication methods: public speaking, demonstrations, trainings, one-on-one consultations, or writing for print or social media. Include both online and in-person communication experience.

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7. Please share any non-preserving skills you would bring to the program. Such skills could include speaking and writing in languages other than English, experience with community organizing, graphic design or photography expertise, etc.

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8. Like many organizations, the UC Master Food Preserver Program relies on technology to deliver its mission. Please describe your proficiency with technologies such as e-mail, video platforms (like Zoom), blogs, etc.

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9. UC Master Food Preserver Program trainees are required to complete a training course that will take place on Tuesday afternoons beginning on August 22, 2023, ending October 31, 2023. Classes will be in person in San Luis Obispo. Can you commit to attend all sessions?

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10. How do you plan to use the information you learn in the UC Master Food Preserver Program to improve and strengthen communities in San Luis Obispo and/or Santa Barbara Counties?

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11. Following the training, volunteers complete volunteer hours and continuing education hours annually (50 volunteer hours in the first year; 25 volunteer hours and 12 continuing education hours thereafter). Given your understanding of the program and our outreach activities, how do you plan to meet these requirements?

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## Demographic information:

The UC Master Food Preserver Program is open to all. We collect the following demographic information to know if we are reaching all community members. This portion of the application is voluntary and will be used for reporting purposes. The categories listed are those required by UC and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

### Gender (check one):

- Woman
- Man
- Non-binary
- Gender not listed
- Decline to state

### Ethnicity (check one):

- Hispanic or Latino/a, : A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish-speaking culture or origin, regardless of race and/or a person of Latin American culture or origin
- Not Hispanic or Latino/a

### Race (check all that apply):

- American Indian or Alaskan Native: A person with origins among any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian: A person with origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent—including, for example, the peoples of Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- Black or African American: A person with origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: A person with origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White: A person with origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.
- Decline to state.

I wish to be considered for acceptance into the UCCE Master Food Preserver training program offered by the University of California Cooperative Extension. I understand that if I am accepted, I will become a certified UC Master Food Preserver when I complete 10 weeks of classes and pass a written examination by 85%.

I understand the cost of this training is \$275 and agree to pay the fee upon acceptance. A limited number of fee waivers are available. Training class fee waiver applications can be found on our website and here: <https://ucanr.edu/sites/SLO/files/385278.pdf>

I understand that in exchange for the training made possible by the program, I will volunteer at least 50 hours of volunteer time to the UC Master Food Preserver Program within one calendar year of graduating. I will attend all training classes, submit monthly volunteer hours, and follow all University policies and procedures.

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I understand that I will be required to submit to a criminal background and fingerprint screening (Department of Justice Livescan) prior to the beginning of the training program.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this application to the address listed below. Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on \_\_\_\_\_ . Late applications will not be accepted.

UC Master Food Preservers of San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties

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San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

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