

UC AGROECOLOGY FIELD QUARTER



SUMMER 2026



Engage in visits to academic, farmer, and community-based organizations at the forefront of Agroecology research, extension, and farming operations.



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COURSE OVERVIEW

The UC Agroecology Field Quarter Summer 2026, running from **July 6th to August 21st** offers a full-time, 7- week residential and traveling program. Students from all UC campuses, as well as universities and colleges throughout CA and nationally are welcome to apply. Three UC Santa Cruz classes and a lab are included in the Field Quarter program. The program emphasizes hands-on experiential learning activities on the land and in communities across the Central Coast, San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys, and SF East Bay.

CLASSES INCLUDED

- **ENVS 133C** 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 INFO

COURSE DETAILS

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.

Program engages UC Santa Cruz, UC Davis, and UC Berkeley campus farms, faculty and staff, as well as Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) Agricultural Experiment and Research Stations, Cooperative Extension, Farm Advisors and Crop Specialists. These UC engagements are complemented with visits with farmers and Community-Based Organizations, and the non-profit organization that support practitioners, in the field. The program provides experiences with integrated socio-ecological research, extension and educational programming that links UC faculty and staff with farmers and communities, non-profit organizations and public agencies.

- **4 weeks on the Farm at UC Santa Cruz Center for Agroecology and surrounding area**
- **1 week in the Fresno area**
- **1 week in the Sacramento area**
- **1 week in the East Bay**

COURSE COSTS

A course fee covers the cost of 7 weeks of housing, food, transportation, and instructional supplies. The Total program costs, including the course fee, UCSC tuition and campus fee for currently enrolled UC Students is approximately \$4,255 and for Non-UC Visiting students is approximately \$6,352.



Students' cost of the program has been substantially reduced thanks to California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) Foundation's USDA funded Transitions to Organic Partnership Program (TOPP).

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

