Fall 2022 California Ecology and Conservation Field Program

Dear UC Irvine Community,

We are now accepting applications for the Fall 2022 offering of the UC Natural Reserve System field program, California Ecology and Conservation. Applications can be found here and are due on April 25, 2022. Please spread the word!

California Ecology and Conservation is an intensive field program which transforms students into scientists. The course is specifically tailored for students contemplating a career in ecology, conservation biology, or a related field. This fall will mark our 23rd run.

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Fall 2022 Ecology and Conservation Field Program continued...

Since its inception in 2015, over 500 undergraduates from across the UC system have participated. Check out this video to get a glimpse of what students are calling the most rewarding experience in their undergraduate careers. We have been running the program successfully for the last year with comprehensive COVID protocols in place.

For 50 days, 27 undergraduates from across the UC system participate in hands-on learning, gaining a familiarity with some of the most awe-inspiring landscapes the state has to offer. Students complete a series of independent research studies while learning to notice natural patterns, frame questions into feasible research projects, and practice standard field techniques. At the conclusion of each project, students analyze their data and present their findings in oral presentations and written reports. All the while, students grow as leaders, teammates, and members of a diverse and enthusiastic community of scholars.

All UC undergraduates who have a 2.5+ GPA, are in good standing with their home campus, and have successfully completed an introductory biology course are eligible to apply.

More information is available on the course website.
Explore the Majors Workshop - Feb. 24

Are you thinking about changing majors? Double majoring? Want to study something new, but not sure what else is out there? The Peer Academic Advisors are hosting "Explore the Majors", a change of major workshop. PAAs from Bio Sci, Social Ecology, Public Health, Arts, and Nursing will present on how to find majors and the process of switching. After this short introduction, PAAs will be available to answer any questions about their majors, and advise you on their respective schools! Please fill out this quick form (https://tinyurl.com/ExploreTM) to let us know you're coming.

Scholarships and Paid Internships for STEM students

The non-profit Advancing Women in Technology organization has a wonderful opportunity for scholarships and paid internships going on right now for undergrads studying in the STEM field.

The 2022 scholar application just opened, and the deadline for applications is March 31, 2022 - https://awtca.org/scholarships/

BSC Presents...Learn with Laura's House - Feb. 24

Join the Biological Sciences Student Council to learn about domestic violence with our guest speaker from Laura's House!

Laura's House is an organization that provides unduplicated domestic violence-related services to the 915,000 residents of Orange County, California and beyond for the past 24 years. The presentation will have topics covered including: the different types of abuse, why abusers abuse, why victims stay, the cycle of violence, red flags, how to get help, available resources, and safety planning.

BSC Presents...Learn with Laura's House continued...

Along with this presentation, we will be hosting a fundraiser in order to raise money to donate to Laura's House! *Donation details will come soon*

DATE: Thursday, February 24
TIME: 6 - 7 PM
ZOOM LINK: https://uci.zoom.us/j/95967946190

Other helpful links:

Free tutoring:
- Bio Sci Peer Tutoring: https://sites.google.com/a/uci.edu/biotutor/
- Gen Chem Peer Tutoring: https://sites.uci.edu/gcptutoring/
- Organic Chem Peer Tutoring: https://sites.uci.edu/ochemtutors/
- Math tutoring: https://www.math.uci.edu/undergrad-courses/tutoring-assistance
- Writing Assistance: http://www.writingcenter.uci.edu/

LARC – paid tutoring service (www.larc.uci.edu)
Fresh Basic Needs Hub: http://basicneeds.uci.edu/
Counseling Center: https://counseling.uci.edu/
Wellness Center: https://studentwellness.uci.edu
UCI Disability Services Center: https://dsc.uci.edu/
Division of Career Pathways: https://career.uci.edu/