University of California Global Health Institute
Planetary Health Center of Expertise

Summer Immersion Program
2025 Mentor/Host Application Form

The University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (UCANR) promotes healthy people and communities, healthy food systems, and healthy environments by uniting the University of California campuses and extension field program offices throughout the state to conduct research, training, and outreach activities. With a similar goal, the multi- campus Center for Planetary Health (CPH), within the University of California Global Health Institute (UCGHI), seeks to promote integrated solutions for health and the environment, along with

Signature Project themes "Farming in the 21st Century" and "Climate, Water and Health." More on the CPH and the UC Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources can be found here:

https://ucghi.universityofcalifornia.edu/our-work/planetary-health/
https://ucanr.edu/sites/ucanr/

On the third page you can see the Summer Immersion Application that UC undergraduate and graduate students can fill out to apply for summer placement opportunities, for pay and/or credit, to gain the real-world experience they need to be competitive in the job market and navigate career path choices going forward. If you would like to apply to be a host site for Summer 2025 (June-August), please provide *as much information as possible* below and submit the first two pages to planetaryhealth@ucdavis.edu by **February 24, 2025.** Applications submitted after February 24 will be accepted for consideration on a first come, first serve basis. We will work with selected host sites to create a mentoring team for each student that involves the host site mentor and a UC faculty mentor appropriate for the context of the summer opportunity.

High Level Program Timeline:

Deadline for priority applications.. February 24, 2025
Candidate interviews begin... March 3, 2025
Acceptance notifications sent... March 2025
Kick-off Meeting... May 2025
Program begin...……June 2025
Mid-point check-in.. July 2025
Final deliverables due.. August 2025

Host Site Application Form

Mentor name:

Email:

Phone number:

Host site name:

Host site address:

Level of preferred student undergraduate/graduate/either:

Is student housing available on site? If yes, is there a fee?:

Can you provide academic credit?:

Do you need funding through the immersion program to support your student?:

Detailed description of the summer opportunity (please include if the position is remote, hybrid, or in-person, and if in-person, where):

Any required student prerequisites/qualifications (courses, skills, etc.):

Expected learning outcomes for student:

Please note 2-3 interview questions specific to the summer opportunity that would help choose the best candidate.

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2025 Student Application Form

Thank you for your interest in the Summer Immersion Program (formerly Summer Work Experience Program), coordinated by the **UCGHI Center for Planetary Health** in partnership with the **University of California Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) Cooperative Extension** and other host organizations. This program offers students a unique hands-on opportunity to work on projects related to natural resources, agriculture, climate change, health and nutrition, youth development and environmental policy.

Selected students are expected to attend the 2025 Summer Immersion Kick- off Orientation in May. The orientation is designed to introduce students to effective strategies for science outreach and stakeholder engagement.

To apply to the program and be considered for funding priority, please submit the applicant information and supporting materials requested below to planetaryhealth@ucdavis.edu **by 9:00 am PST on February 24, 2025**. Following submission of their applications, applicants will be asked to review and rank (based on preference) specific program opportunities. Interviews will be conducted, and successful applicants will be matched to the program opportunities based on interest and best fit. Applications submitted after February 24, 2025, will be accepted for consideration on a first come, first serve basis. Further information about the program as well as the desired skills, experience, and qualities of the students can be found below. Please direct any questions about the program or application to planetaryhealth@ucdavis.edu.

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UC DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
Organization Website: https://ucanr.edu/sites/ucanr/
SIP Location (City, State): UC ANR Cooperative Extension Field Offices in California
Examples of activities that the student may be involved in:

- Developing and delivering outreach and educational material for ANR's youth, families and community programs.
- Assisting with research to assess resource utilization and improve farming practices in California.
- Providing support to programs evaluating the benefits of integrated pest management in agriculture.

Desired skills, experience, and qualities of the student:

- Undergraduate or graduate student status at a UC campus.
- Minimum GPA 2.8 to be eligible for the program.
- Strong desire to learn, proactive and solution-oriented attitude, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and critical thinking and analytical skills.
- Ability to analyze and synthesize complex information from various sources.
- Ability to prepare reports, factsheets, and other public communications tools.
- Ability to work and communicate with diverse stakeholders.
- Confident, self-motivated, well-organized, and able to work independently and on teams.

Other host organizations include CDPH, DOC, and UC Faculty, as well as UC campus units

Applicant Information:

Name:

Email:

Phone number:

Home address:

UC Campus:

Major/Degree program:

Year Completed and Expected Graduation:

Current GPA:

Application Support Material:
1. Resume including education, employment, honors, and publications
2. Contact information for three references
3. Personal statement that describes your interests, career goals, which institution(s) (DOC and/or UC ANR Cooperative Extension) you would be interested in working with for your program, and what you hope to gain from a summer program (1 page maximum).