Welcome everyone! We will be starting shortly. Please fill out the Attendance form. Link in Chat.
Today’s Agenda

○ What is Advanced Field Study?
○ Fieldwork and Course Overview
○ Prerequisites
○ Enrollment Requirements
○ Finding a Placement / Sample Placements
○ How to Apply
○ Resources
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What is Advanced Field Study (AFS)?

- Exclusive, **in-depth, three-quarter Field Study experience**
- **Address community issues** through civic engagement
- **Connect more deeply** with faculty, peers, and community organization
- **Develop strong writing and presentation skills**, culminating in a final paper and project presentation
- **Build professional skills** and prepare for graduate school/career
What to Expect from AFS Fieldwork?

- **During their placement**, students work with a local non-profit or public sector organization.
- **Complete 80+ fieldwork** hours per quarter (about 8 hours/wk) for each of the three quarters of AFS.
- **Develop strong relationships and menteeships** with supervisors, staff, and peers.
- **Make meaningful contributions** to your organization and the community they serve.
Fieldwork may include, but not limited to:

- Serving in day-to-day support of operations
- Conducting research that enhances the work of the organization
- Developing new activities or programs
- Working intensively with clients
- Engaging in outreach and community organization
- Participating in organizational development and advancement efforts
What to Expect from the AFS Courses?

- Complete the three-quarter sequence with the same tenured faculty (Dr. Houston) and small cohort
- Learn to integrate personal experiences with academic knowledge
- Apply theory and research (classroom) to community issues (fieldwork)
- Develop personal and professional strengths and competencies
- Explore career paths across Social Ecology-related fields
Prerequisites

- School of Social Ecology / Environmental Science and Policy major
- Enroll in all three courses of the Seminar sequence for the academic year
- Minimum 3.0 Cumulative GPA
- 90+ quarter units completed (by the end of Spring ‘22)
- SocEcol 10 and Lower Division Writing completed by Summer ‘22
Additional Prerequisites

For those who wish to complete a research project as part of AFS:

- Completion of SocEcol 13
- One quarter of prior participation in a research lab/research project
  - Not including projects assigned as course work in SE 10 or SE 13
- Previous volunteer experience in a community setting preferred
Enrollment Requirements

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<th>Fall Quarter</th>
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| ● SocEcol 195A  
  - Take P/NP | ● SocEcol 195B  
  - Take P/NP | ● SocEcol 195CW  
  - Take for letter grade |
| ● Satisfies elective units requirement only | ● Satisfies the School of Social Ecology 195 Field Study requirement | ● “C” or higher satisfies the upper-division writing requirement |
Finding a Placement

Over the Summer:

- Students will receive a catalog of placement opportunities
- Students and orgs attend virtual AFS internship fair
- Students submit application to placement of interest
- Supervisors conduct interviews with students
- Students and supervisors rank each other
- The Field Study team will match student with sites
Sample Placements

**UCI CARE**: Provides free and confidential support services to members of the UCI community who have been impacted by sexual assault, relationship abuse, family violence and/or stalking.

**Center for Student Wellness & Health Promotion**: Strives to be a leader in collegiate health promotion by focusing on the unique and relevant health needs and concerns of UCI students to support their academic success.

**OC Habitats**: The mission of OC Habitats (OCH) is to provide a public service for the many habitats of Orange County, California through conservation efforts, rehabilitation, restoration, education, outreach, volunteerism, monitoring, and partnering with other entities whose goal is to promote the preservation, conservation, and restoration of natural habitats and the species therein.

**UFW Foundation**: The UFW Foundation core purpose is to empower communities to ensure human dignity. We serve over 100,000 immigrants annually through a holistic approach; we provide critical services and engage our constituents in systemic change to break the cycle of poverty.

**Girls Inc. of Orange County**: Under the supervision of the College Bound Coordinator, AFS students provide direct service to high school cohort of fifty students and provide facilitation of curriculum which will include online learning modules.
How Do I Apply?

Application includes:

- Current Resume (Resume_Lastname_Firstname.pdf)
- One Letter of Support (LOR_Lastname_Firstname)
- Unofficial Transcript (TS_Lastname_Firstname.pdf)
- Short Answer Questions

**NOTE:** You can suggest an organization or topic area of interest on your application for consideration
Apply By:

Friday, April 29th by 9pm

Application available on website
Career Resources

- **UCI Division of Career Pathways website**: resume and cover letter samples, advising appointments, career readiness workshops, and more!

- Other resources:
  - Additional help with Resume and cover letter
  - **VMOCK**: virtual resume assistance with immediate feedback
  - **Big Interview**: help improve your interview technique and build your confidence
More questions?

Check out our Field Study Advising Services website for:
- ZotChat: quick Field Study related questions
  - Mondays 10-11 am
  - Tuesdays 2-3 am
- Zoom drop-in: 10 minute session with Field Study Advisor
  - Wednesdays 2 pm - 4 pm
- Appointment: book in advance for more in-depth advising help

Email sefieldstudy@uci.edu with the subject line:
'Advanced Field Study 22-23 Question'
Questions & Answers
Thank you for attending this Advanced Field Study Information Session!