CHADWICK GARDEN, UCSC

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# of interns needed/Hours 6-8 interns / 2 credits

Internship assignment

The Center for Agroecology & Sustainable Food Systems is a research, education, and public service program at the University of California, Santa Cruz, dedicated to increasing ecological sustainability and social justice in the food and agriculture system. On the UCSC campus, the Center operates the 2-acre Alan Chadwick Garden and the 25-acre Farm. Both sites are managed using organic production methods and serve as research, teaching, and training facilities for students, staff, and faculty. The Farm-to-College project at UC Santa Cruz links the Center’s Farm on the UCSC campus with other local organic farms and with UCSC campus organizations to bring organic produce to the campus dining halls and restaurants, while bringing students to the Farm for sustainable food systems education.

The focus of this internship is learning ecological farming and gardening practices and principles. Participants work side by side with Center staff and apprentices in hands on activities, and engage with curriculum from the apprenticeship in ecological horticulture.

Topics introduced this quarter are composting, bed digging, fruit tree care, cover cropping and garlic culture.