Sprout Up Volunteer Instructor and Internship Opportunities

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Sprout Up provides free, youth-led environmental education programs to 1st and 2nd grade classrooms in public schools throughout California. Our college student-instructors teach children vital concepts in environmental science and sustainability during the earliest stages of their educational development, cultivating the next generation of passionate caretakers of the earth. Through activities, experiments, and discussions, we get kids thinking in new ways about the world that surrounds them, inspiring them to bring the message of environmental stewardship home to their families and friends. In this way, we strive to promote sustainability throughout our many communities, from the youngest members of society up. For more information, please visit us at www.SproutUp.org.

**Volunteer Instructor Opportunity:**

As a Sprout Up Volunteer Instructor, one is committed to a MAXIMUM 3 hours a week of participation. This participation includes a 1 hour IN CLASS LESSON (hosted by a Team of 4-6 Sprout Up Instructors), a 1 hour meeting going over the details of the IN CLASS LESSON, and ~1 hour of transportation time to and from both of these meetings.

Sprout Up Instructor Teams enter local Santa Cruz Elementary Schools for 1 hour, once a week over a span of 8 weeks. Sprout Up’s Program coincides with UCSC’s quarter system, meaning we begin a new Program each and every quarter! This also means there’s always need for new Instructors!

Sprout Up teaches at local elementary schools including Bayview Elementary (located at Mission St. and Bay Ave.), Westlake Elementary (located 2 minutes walking East of Base of UCSC Campus) Gault Elementary (located at Seabright Ave. and Soquel Ave.) and others. Working with local elementary schools and utilizing carpooling to and from all meetings results in minimal (if any) inconvenience for our Volunteer Instructors.

**Internship Opportunity:**

The Sprout Up Santa Cruz Chapter Team, which facilitates the entirety of Sprout Up activity in Santa Cruz, is looking for Interns to shadow the current Chapter Team Members who are scheduled to graduate at the end of this school year!

This link describes the Internships available and describes each role in detail:

https://docs.google.com/a/eeng.org/document/d/1LfcTePknQYETQ-5RO6I3fwgrzeeOVa-pj7qJiBW3dXM/edit
The Internship positions entail a more substantial commitment to Sprout Up than does the Volunteer Instructor Position, as well as more substantial benefits. The real-world, hands-on duties associated with these positions ensure excellent management, networking, and collaboration experience applicable for countless professions. Also, successful participation as a Sprout Up Chapter Team Member will result in exceptionally powerful references for any future academic or professional positions.