ENVS 195

Environmental Leadership Incubator

Fall 2020 – Spring 2021

During Fall quarter, we meet as a class on Tuesdays, 12:30 – 3:20pm. During Winter and Spring quarters, you work independently with the support of your mentors and the ELI Program Manager. The course concludes in spring with the ELI Capstone Presentations.

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ENVS 195 Course Description

Have you ever wondered how someone turns an idea into a great project? What it takes to lead a team? How to inspire and motivate a group of people? The Environmental Leadership Incubator (ELI) is designed to mentor you through the leadership process, from the conception of an idea through to its implementation. The course will train you in the leadership and project management skills needed to address looming environmental challenges. Along the way, you will develop self-awareness and an understanding of your own leadership journey and style.

The primary goals of this course are threefold:
1. To build your self-awareness, to help you understand your own leadership journey and style, and to prepare you to step into leadership roles;
2. To train you in the leadership and project management skills needed advance a project idea through to its implementation;
3. To connect you with mentors and advisors, with the goal of establishing long-term mentoring relationships.

By the end of fall quarter, you will have refined your initial project idea and prepared a detailed project action plan. You will then have winter and spring quarters to bring your idea to fruition. All participants in the ELI will showcase their projects at the capstone conference at the end of spring quarter.
Fall Quarter: Developing your project action plan

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Winter and Spring Quarters: Implementing Your Project

- Bi-weekly meetings and status updates with Erika Zollett, ELI Program Manager
- Regular contact with Project Mentor
- ELI Capstone Presentations (Week 9 of spring quarter)

How to enroll in ENVS 195:

Access short online application by
- Emailing Prof Pulver and requesting link (pulver@ucsb.edu).
- Or finding link through ES website – Student Programs – Environmental Leadership Incubator

Complete the short application, which includes your initial idea for an action project.
Once available, add codes will be distributed on a rolling basis.
The course is targeted at sophomores and juniors from any undergraduate major on campus, but seniors are welcome too.