

Sustainability Scholars Program

Dear IE community members — the Institute is launching a new program for undergraduate students — the *Sustainability Scholars Program* — supported by a new endowment to the Institute.

With this email, we are soliciting projects from IE faculty and professional researchers. Projects should offer immersive, hands-on experiences for UC Davis undergraduate students that address cutting-edge sustainability and environmental justice issues, while developing leadership, team building, and communication skills.

This IE program will provide grants (\$2000) to each undergraduate student to work as part of a sustainability action research team (3 to 4 students). The student teams will be mentored by a faculty or staff member and, where feasible, one or two *Earth Scholars* graduate students, and together they will partner with campus and community stakeholders.

The scope of the project topics is not limited but rather we are seeking projects in any (multi)disciplinary area that will investigate sustainability, resilience, and/or environmental justice issues and work toward implementing actionable solutions and justice measures. Projects are intended to be 2 academic quarters or one-acad. quarter and summer in length.

If you are interested in submitting a project idea and in overseeing and mentoring a *Sustainability Scholars* student team in 2023, then please send the following information to Elena Peters (ecpeters@ucdavis.edu).

- Your name, affiliation, contact information
- Short project title
- Brief description of the project and how you envision accommodating 3 to 4 UG students working as a team including plans for mentoring the team.

Thank you for your interest and consideration of participating in this exciting new program.