College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
University of California, Davis

Undergraduate Academic Programs

College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
UC Davis
Who we are

AGGIES!
Who we are

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Ranked number 1 university in the nation in agriculture, animal science, forestry, and agricultural economics

7,300 students  381 faculty
Who we are

$1.5
Award over $1.5 million per year in scholarships and roughly 80% of eligible students receive scholarships (2017 data)

28
28 majors plus Undeclared/Exploratory Program

3
3 Divisions – Agricultural Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Human and Social Sciences
Who we are

Agricultural Sciences

Human and Social Sciences

Environmental Sciences
Who are you and who do you want to become?

What are you most excited about?
Belonging and Becoming

Mabel Y.
Class of 2020

Major: Agricultural and Environmental Education

“UC Davis provides fantastic opportunities in a wide range of areas... Through classes, internships, and student organizations, I’ve gained knowledge and hands-on experience!”
Belonging and Becoming

Janaé B.
Class of 2022

Major: Global Disease Biology

“I have had a chance to sit down and talk with several different faculty - something that I think every new student should do...I was able to discuss my career interests with faculty - I have yet to meet anyone who wasn’t willing to speak with me.”
“…Seeking internships and reaching out to people to try to get involved in their work is daunting at first... the more you do it the better you get at talking with professionals and showing them your interests.”
Professor Dalia Ghanem

Agricultural and Resource Economics

“Honestly, I was never part of a big group of friends as a student, and did not feel like I completely belonged. But I met some really great friends through classes and extra curriculars…One course, one professor changed my life - I fell in love with econometrics and now I get to share my passion with students…”

Finding Purpose and Passion
“I grew up in a rural environment in Wisconsin. Moving to Minneapolis to attend a huge university was a shock, to say the least. Participating in clubs and attending sports events were great ways to make friends with common interests.”
Professor Eric Post
Wildlife, Fish & Conservation Biology

“UCD has an incredible breadth and depth of research expertise and curricular offerings. Sample the buffet of courses!”

Finding Purpose and Passion
How we do it?

We want to empower and support you in finding your purpose and passion!
How to do it: Build Your Community

- Seek out new experiences and different opportunities
- Understand responsibilities that come with your independence
  - Time Management
  - Quarter System
  - 1 unit = 2-3 study hours
  - 12-13 units recommended for first quarter
- Do not be afraid to ask for help.

*Most important tip…*
You are a part of the CAES Community!

Create a network of support

- Faculty Advising
- Peer Advising
- Major Advising
- Dean’s Office Advising
How to do it: Connect with Faculty

• Go to Office Hours!

• Talk to your instructor if you are having difficulty in the course.

• Seek out faculty who have your same interests.

• Tap into faculty networks for internship and research opportunities.

• Establish relationships with professors for future letters of recommendation to graduate programs and/or job references.

• Mentorship
How to do it: Seek out Academic Advising

- Academic advisors are your support

- Assist in clarifying your personal and educational goals

- Ensure understanding of degree requirements

- Dean’s Office: Advise on student petitions, exceptions, academic difficulty
  - Appointments: Drop-in Mon-Fri 9-noon, 1:30-4pm; https://appointments.ucdavis.edu

- Major Advising: Major requirements, major-related opportunities (research, internships, fun courses, projects, etc.)
Advising – Exploring who you are Becoming!

- How can you use your General Education (GE) requirements to explore?
- How to take classes that “count?”
- What GEs spark your interests and passion?
Uncover your passion and purpose
Career Discovery Groups (CDG)

• Learn skills for academic success
• Connect with peers, graduate student mentors, staff and faculty
• Connect your educational passion to your strengths and interests to achieve your academic and career goals.

“I absolutely would recommend this class to other students. I know I need to learn chemistry and math, but this was the most beneficial course I took this year.”
How we do it: Find your UCD Community

- Campus Partners
- Clubs & Orgs.
- CA&ES Events
- Meeting you where you are
How we do it: MANRRS

• Professional development workshops and networking conferences
• Development of leadership and public speaking skills
• Compete at Regional and National Conferences
• Network with professors/researchers, recruiters, and graduate school representatives
• Community service

Course credit available too!

Thursdays 4-5 PM in 1338 Meyer Hall
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How we do it: Aggie Ambassadors
How we do it: CA&ES Clubs and Organizations

- Aggie Animal Rescue Club
- Alpha Gamma Rho (AGR)
- Alpha Zeta-Cal Gamma (AZ)
- American Fisheries Society, Sacramento- Davis Student Subunit
- American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
- Atmospheric Science Club
- Biotechnology Club of UC Davis
- Botany and Environmental Horticulture Club
- California Student Sustainability Coalition
- Collegiate FFA
- Community and Regional Development Club
- Davis Enology & Viticulture Organization (DEVO)
- Davis Gardening Club
- Dean's Student Advisory Committee
- Draft Horse and Driving Club
- Entomology Club
- Environmental Club
- Environmental Toxicology Club (Etox Club)
- Fashion and Design Society (FADS) at UC Davis
- Food Tech Club (FTC)
- Horse Polo
- People for the Elimination of Animal Cruelty through Education
- Pre-Vet Students Supporting Diversity
- Sacramento Free Clinics Nutrition Interest Group
- Sigma Alpha
- Society for Conservation Biology- Davis Chapter
- Strategies for Ecology Education, Diversity and Sustainability UC Davis Chapter (S.E.E.D.S)
- Student Fashion Association
- Student Nutrition Association - SNA
- Students for Sustainable Agriculture
- Sustainable Resource Operations
- Vet Aide Club (VAC)
- VIDA Club (pre health including vet)
- Wild Campus
- Wildlife Society

Clubs and Organizations Website:
http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/students/clubs
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