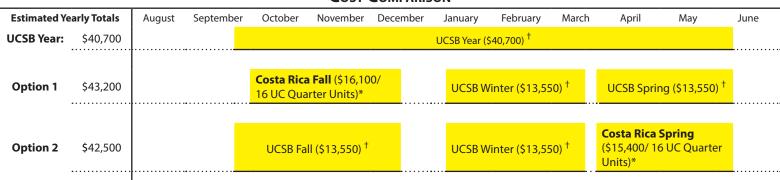


Costa Rica

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PROGRAM	<u>Tropical Biology and Conservation</u>
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	 Level: Soph, Jr, Sr, Grad (by departure) GPA: 2.50 cumulative GPA at the time of application and maintained through departure Coursework: Completion of 3 biology-related courses by departure is required. Completion of at least one upper-division Biology course is highly recommended. Lab experience and a course in Statistics also recommended. Language: none A very unique and hands-on experience, this program is best for students who love the outdoors and could manage a nontraditional academic environment and schedule. A positive attitude, flexibility, and teamwork are essential, as students travel and live together as a group for a majority of the program.
WHEN	 Fall: early October to mid-December Spring: late March to early June
COST	 Fall quarter: \$16,100* Spring quarter: \$15,400**
COURSEWORK	 Five courses: Tropical Diversity Tropical Community Ecology Tropical Biology Research Practicum Agro-Ecology Spanish for Biologists
HOUSING	 Housing changes according to program activities: homestays, residence at the dormitory-style Monteverde Biological Station, stays at other rural field stations, and camping. Students live with other UC students.
APPLICATION WINDOW	 Students live with other UC students. Fall: Nov 20, 2024 - Mar 19, 2025 or until filled Spring: April 15, 2025 - July 30, 2025 or until filled Program typically fills before deadline!
	Applications open at 9am on the open date, and close at 11:59pm on the deadline (unless filled earlier).

COST COMPARISON



Fees listed are estimates, rounded to nearest \$50, and subject to change. See the UCEAP program page's Cost tab for customized cost estimates.

†UCSB 2024-25 undergrad cost of attendance for 2023-cohort CA residents living off-campus.

Non-Residents: add supplemental tuition to costs above: \$32,550/yr, \$16,300/sem, \$10,850/qtr (2023-cohort).

^{*}UCEAP 2024-25 (**2023-24) undergrad cost includes: UC tuition for 2023-cohort CA residents, fees, housing, meals, predeparture expenses, airfare, travel insurance, and incidentals. Not included in fall/winter/spring/year costs (if applicable): UC Student Health Insurance \$450/qtr.