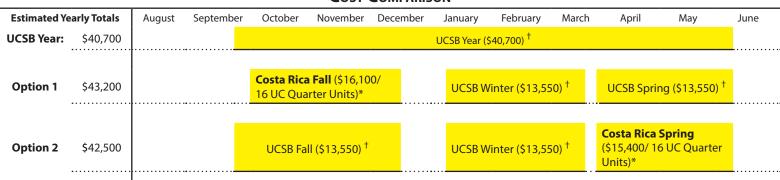


## Costa Rica

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PROGRAM	Tropical Biology and Conservation
ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	<ul> <li>Level: Soph, Jr, Sr, Grad (by departure)</li> <li>GPA: 2.50 cumulative GPA at the time of application and maintained through departure</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Language: none</li> <li>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.</li> <li>A positive attitude, flexibility, and teamwork are essential, as students travel and live together as a group for a majority of the program.</li> </ul>
WHEN	<ul> <li>Fall: early October to mid-December</li> <li>Spring: late March to early June</li> </ul>
COST	<ul> <li>Fall quarter: \$16,100*</li> <li>Spring quarter: \$15,400**</li> </ul>
COURSEWORK	<ul> <li>Five courses:         <ul> <li>1. Tropical Diversity</li> <li>2. Tropical Community Ecology</li> <li>3. Tropical Biology Research Practicum</li> <li>4. Agro-Ecology</li> <li>5. Spanish for Biologists</li></ul></li></ul>
HOUSING	Housing changes according to program activities: homestays, residence at the dormitory-style Monteverde Biological Station, stays at other rural field stations, and camping.
APPLICATION WINDOW	<ul> <li>Students live with other UC students.</li> <li>Fall: Nov 20, 2024 - Mar 19, 2025 or until filled</li> <li>Spring: April 15, 2025 - July 30, 2025 or until filled</li> <li>Program typically fills before deadline!</li> </ul>
	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).

<sup>\*</sup>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.