

Western Field Camp 2016: Field Techniques in Wildlife Studies

4 Quarter Units
Aug 7 - 19 (12 days)
Swanton Pacific Ranch, Santa Cruz County



Field Techniques in Wildlife Studies is an intensive, resident field camp emphasizing wildlife identification and field techniques for vertebrates. Administered by California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo and Western Section of The Wildlife Society, the 4-unit course, held at Cal Poly's scenic Swanton-Pacific Ranch near Santa Cruz, includes hands-on field time, data collection and team projects. Instructors include wildlife professionals from agency, academic, private and non-profit sectors. Informal time with mentor-instructors allows students to discuss career opportunities. Contact Cynthia Perrine, perrine.cynthia@gmail.com, to learn more about participating as a mentor-instructor!

Meals, lodging, and 4-units of academic credit are included in the (approximately) \$1,625 course fee. Course is limited to 16 participants, with students working in groups of 4-5 to maximize hands-on experiential learning and mentoring. Contact Lead Instructor John Perrine, jperrine@calpoly.edu with a brief (150-word) paragraph describing your interest in the camp, and a short list of previous coursework or equivalent to meet the prerequisites below. Upon instructor clearance of your prerequisites, registration is through Cal Poly Extended Education (805) 756-2053.

Participation open to early career professionals, college undergraduates with junior standing or above, and graduate students – anyone with completed pre-requisite course-work or equivalent in the following topics: Intro Organismal Form & Function or Intro Ecology and Evolution or Wildlife Management or Principles of Range Management.



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