

# Welcome **ARBORETUM**

to the  
at the University of California, Santa Cruz



## How interns fit in

Interns can expect to work with other students and arboretum staff. The content of the internship is variable depending upon your personal interests. Some students may choose to focus on working in one of the collections in particular or a specific area like nursery work. The Arboretum hopes to offer a job training experience in horticulture, arboretum work, stewardship, land management, etc. A lot of the content of the internship comes down to gardening work with soil and plants.



## About the program

The Arboretum was founded in 1964 under Chancellor McHenry. The site was chosen for its great geological and topological diversity as well as its coastal exposure and access to a reservoir. It began with a focus on a trees and expanded to include all sorts of Mediterranean, Australian, and Californian plants. All of the plants are chosen because they grow well in California's climate to emphasize sustainability. The Arboretum is run by a very small staff under campus funding using intern and volunteers alike to keep everything working.

## Quotes

"The students are the backbone and the inspiration, the youth and vigor of the organization"