

# UCR Summer Sustainability Program

June 25-July 28 2018



## Program Description

The Summer Sustainability Program provides the theoretical and technical training and practical experience necessary to create sustainable lifestyles and communities. Course work and experiential learning will take place in residence at the Lama Foundation, an intentional community in Northern New Mexico, twenty miles from Taos in the Carson National Forest, which is among the nation's

Lama is among the few 1960s-era communes that still flourishes as a research site, artists' retreat, and conference/workshop site as well as a sustainable community for its summer and year 'round residents. Program participants will attend daily seminars or workshops designed to encourage interaction and exploration of sustainable community design and permaculture and related design sciences. They will apply their knowledge and practice acquired skills while living in a beautiful, diverse, self-sustaining community that produces much of its own food, water, and energy with a minimum of waste. And they will share in the social and intellectual life of the community, and be invited to share in its work—gardening, food preparation and service, shop, recreation and entertainment etc.

## Courses :

The program includes completion of two four-unit upper-division courses, both of which provide upper-division credit in Gender and Sexuality Studies and Sustainability Studies and may be counted as electives or substituted for required courses in other departments/majors.

### *GSST 145: Intersectionality, Ecology and Community Design*

- Explores feminist political ecology, intersectional feminism, and philosophies of ecological utopias, *ecotopias*, and examines practical aspects of designing these intentional, sustainable communities. While ecological vision provides the necessary motivation for creating ecotopias, the development of supporting economic, political, and social—often religious or belief-based—institutions is necessary to turn visions of sustainable community into ecologically conscious societies with a chance at achieving utopian visions that recognize and accommodate diversity with respect to race, class, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, religion, and even species.





*GSST 148: Intersectionality, Ecology and Design Science* – Introduces regenerative design, an approach that seeks to support the co-evolution of natural and human systems to enhance life. Develops an intersectional feminist lens for approaching permaculture and related design processes that create and integrate ecologically stable, resilient and diverse landscapes with human communities often challenged by power structures that shape and maintain patterns of socio-

economic, political, and environmental discrimination. Includes discussion and practice in sustainable alternatives to industrial agriculture; adaptations to climate change; local, regional, and global efforts to improve food equity; social action to increase women’s roles in agricultural production; and intersectional, cultural, and geographic opportunities for and constraints on regenerative design.

**Costs Summer 2018:**

Total costs include UCR summer session fees and tuition for eight units; lodging, food, and local field trips while in residence at the Lama Foundation; and travel to Lama via public transportation (students may opt to carpool instead).

<b>Budget Item</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>
Food, Lodging, Fieldtrips	\$917
Public Transportation	\$185-\$290
Summer Session Fees/Tuition	\$2,484
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,586-\$3,691</b>

**Application:**

[http://genderandsexualitystudies.ucr.edu/courses\\_degrees/SummerSustainabilityProgramApplication.docx](http://genderandsexualitystudies.ucr.edu/courses_degrees/SummerSustainabilityProgramApplication.docx)

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