

# Cheadle Center for Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration



## About Kids in Nature

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The **Kids in Nature (KIN)** experiential education program offered by the Cheadle Center for Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration (CCBER) promotes the achievements of K-12 students in underserved local schools by providing quality, place-based, concept rich environmental science education that aligns with the Next Generation Science Standards and the Environmental Education Initiative (EEI). In the year-long program, UCSB undergraduate students are trained to teach and create new lesson plans through a cross-listed course entitled Nature and Science Education Practicum offered in the Biology and Environmental Science departments. The undergraduates encourage and inspire the next generation to continue learning through higher education.

## Impact

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- UCSB outreach program for 17 years
- In 2016 alone, served 750 K-12 students from 20 classes and 10 local schools
- Approximately 50 UCSB undergraduate students are enrolled in EEMB189/ES191 (Education Practicum taught by KIN staff in conjunction with the KIN program)

## Locations

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Arroyo Hondo Preserve, Coal Oil Point Reserve, Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Sedgewick Reserve, Storke Wetlands, North Campus Open Space & UCSB Natural History Collections.

## Supporting Broader Impacts for your project

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- Provide experienced staff support for grant writing and implementation
- Designing lesson plans through our Nature and Science Education Practicum teacher training class
- Designing and facilitating a variety of K-12 educational experiences
- Implementing teacher training workshops
- Promotion and communication about outreach activities

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## Contact

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