Cascadia Sustainability Field School 2016

We will be accepting applications for the Cascadia Sustainability Field School. The program runs from May 12th to Jun 13th, 2016 and is open to all UVic students with 2nd Year or higher standing. Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive credit for two courses:

1. Geog 388: Regional Studies: Pacific Northwest
2. Geog 391: Sustainable Communities

Apply by Feb 5th, 2016 with $500 deposit to ensure a spot. Applications will be made available online shortly at the UVic Geography website: http://www.uvic.ca/socialsciences/geography/undergraduate/fieldschools/Sustainability%20Field%20School.php.

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“Out of the classroom and into the world”

Geography field schools provide unique life-changing learning opportunities for UVIC students. The benefits of getting out of the classroom to learn in the field cannot be overestimated. This summer the Cascadia Sustainability Field School will traverse the Pacific Northwest region visiting destinations in BC, Washington, and Oregon. En route we will meet with community activists, urban planners, First Nations, academics and others, learning about their efforts to promote economic, social, and ecological sustainability or resilience in our region.

We will travel by train, bus, bike, and local transit to various sites. Hostel or equivalent affordable accommodation will be arranged. Most days will involve structured activities (e.g. guided field trips, hands-on activities, workshops, discussions) with some time available for individual exploration and group reflection. The field school commences on Thursday, May 12th with classes (at UVic) and field trips planned for the Victoria region. The travel component begins in earnest on Sunday, May 22nd in Vancouver and wraps up on Monday, June 13th in Portland, Oregon.
**Field School Topics**

A variety of topics related to social, economic, and ecological sustainability will be explored including: Food * Active Transportation * Ecological Restoration * Urban Planning * Permaculture * Place Making * Indigenous Knowledge * Green Building * Micro-Enterprise Activism * Alternative Economics * Anarchism * Renewable Energy * Regional Identity

**Program Fee**

On top of tuition, the field school has an extra program fee of **$2500**.

**This fee covers:** accommodation (including some breakfasts), transportation from Vancouver to San Francisco, local transit, activity costs (e.g. entry admissions, guide and workshop fees, presenters’ fees, some meals) and an emergency contingency fee.

**It does not cover:** tuition for the two courses, most meals, entertainment, travel insurance (if you are not covered by the UVSS plan) and transport to Vancouver and from Portland.