

California Naturalist - Sierra Nevada Immersion Course

October 1, 2017 to October 7, 2017

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The [UC Merced Yosemite Field Station](#), the [UC Santa Barbara Valentine Eastern Sierra Reserves](#), and the [Yosemite Conservancy](#) are proud to offer the [California Naturalist Program](#) in and around beautiful [Yosemite National Park](#). The mission of the California Naturalist Program is to foster a diverse community of naturalists and promote stewardship of California's natural resources through education and service.

The one-week Sierra Nevada Immersion Course begins at the [UC Merced Yosemite Field Station](#) in Wawona, where we explore the west side of Yosemite National Park for three days. The course takes advantage of the natural gradient in climate, geology, and ecology as the class transitions over Tioga Pass through Tuolumne Meadows, the Mono Lake basin and the Eastern Sierra to the [UCSB Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Laboratory](#), where we spend the remaining three days of the course in and around Mammoth Lakes. These two field stations are part of the larger [UC Natural Reserve System](#), consisting of 39 natural reserves across California. ***This is the first year and the first California Naturalist course to offer such a range of California natural history.***

The course cost is \$900 and includes: all cabin accommodations at both reserves; food for the week; classroom instruction and field sessions; graduation certificate, lapel pin, registration with California Naturalist and website support. For an additional fee, [four academic units](#) are available through UC Davis Extension to teachers and undergraduate students who successfully complete the course.

Apply at <http://snrs.ucmerced.edu/form/calnat2017app>

Applications due: August 10, 2017

To sign up for announcements of future California Naturalist Trainings in Yosemite, please join our mailing list here: <http://lists.ucmerced.edu/mailman/listinfo/yose-calnat>

We are finalizing course details and will make announcements on our email list. Stay tuned, and we're looking forward to exploring with you!

