



JANUARY 2024
UC CALIFORNIA NATURALIST
CERTIFICATION COURSE

If you enjoy exploring and learning about our local ecology, engaging in citizen science and sharing your program is for you! The 40 hour curriculum with guest lecturers, learning to explore the unique coastal north San Diego County.



knowledge with others, this course combines a science field trips and project-based ecology and natural history of



Evening (5:30-8:30 pm) classes will be held at the Buena Vista Nature Center in Oceanside on Tuesdays starting on Jan. 9, 2024 through March 12. Four mandatory Saturday and two optional field trips are planned at different preserves in our area. Each participant will complete a capstone project and present his/her/their results to the class.



This course is being offered by Preserve Calavera in collaboration with UCSD's Natural Reserve System and Buena Vista Audubon. The lead instructors are Paige DeCino and Karen Merrill.

Fee: Registration is \$260. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available (please email us if interested). Students must purchase [*The California Naturalist Handbook*](#) (2013, UC Press). Four UC academic credits are available at the completion of the class for \$85. Registration is limited to the first 20 applicants.

To register go to www.preservecalavera.org. For more information about the course in general see: [California Naturalist website](#) or email pdecino@preservecalavera.org.