

International graduate course Ecophysiology of the rhizosphere

Parque Katalapi, Región de Los Lagos,
Chile
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Organizers

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Invited lecturers

Ricardo Aroca (CSIC), Eduardo Blumwald (U. California-Davis), Hans Lambers (U. Western Australia), Bruce Osborn (U. College Dublin), Alex Valentine (U. Stellenboch), Teodoro de la Coba (CEAZA), Julieta Orlando (UChile), Nestor Fernandez del Saz (UdeC).

Registration fees: Students (US\$340; 210,000 Ch pesos). Professionals: US\$530; 320,000 Ch pesos). This fee includes food, lodging, and course materials.

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Registration deadline: October 30, 2018

Course Description: This intensive theoretical-field graduate course spans over 7 days. It includes lectures, seminars, and practical activities. The course will use the facilities of Parque Katalapi, located in Carretera Austral, near Puerto Montt, Chile. This course is designed as an intensive immersion experience. It requires stamina, endurance, social skills, and persistence. The course will be centered on theoretical and practical aspects of plant soil microorganisms interacciones.

Course requirements: Students are required to have completed at least one basic plant physiology course. Since most of the lectures and seminars will be in English, students must have a good level of understanding and oral expression in this language.

Main topics of the course: Soil properties, Plant nutrition, Rhizosphere components, Mycorrhiza diversity, Nitrogen fixation, Salt tolerance, Cluster roots functioning, Rhizodeposition, organic matter and soil microorganisms, Plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR), Endophyte, Phytoremediation, Molecular plant microbe interaction.



Sponsors

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