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Marine Ecology and Art Field Course

– the patterns that connect

Location: Oban, Scotland

Dates: 10. - 18. September 2026

How do we cultivate societal values that recognize the diversity and importance of life on earth, respecting planetary boundaries? What roles do knowledge, imagination, and creativity play in enabling such values?

Come to Scotland to investigate the marine environment and the culture of the coastal area. We will visit the people and projects involved in marine science and restoration, documenting our observations using scientific as well as artistic methods and tools. Inputs will include lectures from experts in marine ecology and re-wilding, including practical work of assisting with an oyster count, and workshops in creative practice with professional artists and poets. We will stay at a research station on the Kilchoan estate in student accommodation.



Lecturers: Dr Jaboury Ghazoul, Professor of Ecosystem Management, ETH Zurich; Dr Juanita Schläpfer, Artist and science communicator, Zurich-Basel Plant Science Center

Participants: For PhD students in Plant Sciences, Science and Policy, Ecology, Conservation and Ecosystem Management from Uni Basel, ETH Zurich and UZH; Masters students and students from other institutions are welcome if places are available.

Credit Points: 2 ECTS

Application and cost details



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