The Life Lab Garden Classroom is a two-acre, interactive and educational garden located at the Center for Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems Farm on the University of California, Santa Cruz campus. People of all ages can discover ecological concepts in this hands-on, living laboratory. Learn about plants, nutrition, nature, weather, organic gardening, life cycles and decomposition.

Features of the Garden include:
- Fiber and dye garden
- Tea bed
- Row crops
- Pond habitat
- Tropical zone
- Xeriscape garden
- Plant crawl tunnel
- Culinary garden
- Garden kitchen
- Garden art
- Zoo bed
- Friendly chickens
- Edible landscaping
- Observational bee hive
- Picnic benches overlooking the bay
- Compost/vermicompost demonstration area

...and much more!

The Garden Classroom is open to the public every day from 8 am to 6 pm

Free Admission!

The Garden Classroom offers...

Field Trips: The Garden Classroom offers guided garden-based field trips for elementary school classes in the spring and fall. Themes include food systems, soil, recycling, pollination, habitats and agroecology.

Summer Camp: Each summer children explore the garden and surrounding natural areas learning science concepts, gardening basics, crafts and cooking skills.

Workshops: A variety of garden-based workshops are offered for teachers and the public in the Garden Classroom and at school sites and conferences.

Special Events: Life Lab offers classes for children, after-school and home school programs, teacher conferences, and private events in the Garden Classroom.