

Isabelle (Bella) Kormos

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Education

University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) Bachelor of Science (BS) in Environmental Studies (ES); Minor in Spanish Undergraduate GPA: 3.84; Honors Program Relevant Coursework: People and Wildlife, Built Environment, Chemistry with labs, Biology with labs, Physics with labs, Environmental Statistics(Using R-studio), Environmental Health, Justice, & Policy, Env Planning, Env Econ, Ecology and Evolution	Goleta, CA <i>Expected June 2027</i>
Bentley High School GPA: 3.95 UNWT, 4.55 WT AP Scholar Award	Lafayette, CA <i>Graduated June 2023</i>

Research/Field Experience

UCSB CHEADLE CENTER FOR BIODIVERSITY AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION <i>Student Worker</i> • Field work in natural areas near campus including planting native plants and trees and weeding invasives; training in restoration site design, implementation and maintenance techniques; plant and animal identification skills, ecological monitoring protocols	Santa Barbara, CA <i>January 2025-present</i>
UCSB BIOLOGY GREENHOUSE <i>Horticulture Intern</i> • Assist campus botanic researchers on projects; pest identification and control, propagation, transplanting, creating soil mixes, pruning, maintenance of collections • Plant identification skills and taxonomic knowledge	Santa Barbara, CA <i>August 2024-March 2025</i>
VALENTINE LAB, UCSB DEPT. OF EARTH SCIENCE <i>Undergraduate Lab Assistant</i> • Conduct experiments to remove organic and carbonate material from ocean sediments to analyze levels of DDT chemical contamination from industrial processes in the Los Angeles Basin	Santa Barbara, CA <i>August 2024-March 2025</i>
BULGARIA REWILDING IN ACTION: WILDLANDS FIELD STUDY PROGRAM • Studied ecology and management of temperate ecosystems, human-wildlife conflict, and the restoration of ecological processes while backpacking in Rila, Pirin, and Rhodope mountains; trained in field work methodologies and Grinnell journaling; prepared research proposal on the management of bears and wolves (Western Washington University)	Bulgaria <i>June 2024</i>

Volunteering/Other Experience

UCSB SURFRIDER FOUNDATION <i>Isla Vista Chapter "Rise Above Plastics" (RAP) Committee member</i> • Collaborate with other Surfrider committees and UCSB clubs to organize, fund, and lead sustainability and advocacy events, including beach cleanups, pop-up thrifting, and a student environmental film festival • Create "Trash Talk" content for Instagram to raise awareness about microplastics, pollution and environmental health impacts	Santa Barbara, CA <i>September 2025-present</i>
UCSB SPROUT UP CLUB <i>Volunteer Environmental Instructor</i> • Visit local Santa Barbara elementary schools weekly and teach students about environmental stewardship and sustainability by leading activities, experiments, and discussions • Help develop curriculums, and practicing how to communicate science concepts in an accessible and engaging way	Santa Barbara, CA <i>March 2024-present</i>
SANTA BARBARA MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, SEA CENTER <i>Volunteer Exhibit Interpreter</i> • Help guests interact with and learn about live marine animals in each exhibit; help enforce animal welfare rules; developed scientific communication skills, confidence, and knowledge about local marine life	Santa Barbara, CA <i>November 2024-June 2024</i>

Skills & Interests

Languages: Spanish: Advanced; Bulgarian: Proficient
Certifications: CPR; Lifeguard certified
Clubs: Co-founder of Green Scene Club (2023), UCSB excursion club
Interests: Volleyball, camping, hiking, photography, ceramics and wheel throwing, jewelry making, reading, thrifting

