

Summer Workshop on Plastics Sustainability

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hosted by:

The University of Southern California Department of Chemistry

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Have you heard about **plastic pollution**? Are you interested in career paths and research related to plastics and the environment?

Join us for a summer workshop at USC! We will show you **why polymers are so important** for modern life, why this has led to a **pollution crisis**, and how you can make **“being part of the solution”** your future career!

What

Learn about the “Plastics Problem” and the science underlying pathways to a sustainable future. Gain hands on laboratory experience, learn the basics of polymer chemistry, learn about ongoing research and industrial approaches.

Who

Undergraduate and Community College Students

Where

At University of Southern California & field trips to a local recycling facility and Catalina Island.

When

Wed – Fri July 5th – 7th and Mon and Tues July 10th & 11th.
July 5th – 7th and 10th at USC. July 11th at the USC Wrigley Institute on Catalina Island.
9am – 4pm daily July 5th – 7th & 10th.
Depart San Pedro at 8:00AM on July 11th, return 3:30PM

Requirements: Must be a currently enrolled university, college, community college student. Must have completed General Chemistry. Participants will be required to complete an online safety training prior to the start of the workshop.

Application: Applications are due by **May 24, 2023**. Form here: <https://forms.gle/WBEnH3Md9DFyap3P6>
-Include: Personal Statement, current resume, and copy of informal transcripts.

Other Information: Accepted students will be announced no later than June 7th. There is **no charge** for attending the workshop. Participants are expected to attend all sessions and days.

Participants are responsible for transportation to and from USC and to and from San Pedro for the boat trip to Catalina on July 11th. Lunch will be provided each day.