



Marisa Alcorta • Winters
CENTER FOR LAND-BASED LEARNING

Marisa is the apprenticeship program director at a nonprofit that inspires and trains the next generation of agricultural leaders and natural resource stewards.



Hillary DeCarl • Fallbrook
DEL REY AVOCADO COMPANY

Hillary is a field representative for a family-owned grower, buyer and shipper of fresh avocados.



Lizandro Magana • Red Bluff
CALIFORNIA OLIVE RANCH

Lizandro is the vice president of agriculture operations for the largest producer of olive oil in North America.



Theresa Schneider • Chico
A&J FAMILY FARMS INC.

Theresa is a fourth-generation walnut grower and co-owner of a women-owned walnut farming operation in Butte County.



Jake Barcellos • Los Banos
A-BAR AG ENTERPRISES

Jake is a partner at a fourth-generation, family-run operation that grows almonds, pistachios, Pima cotton, processing tomatoes and olives.



Allison Dericco • Healdsburg
RODNEY STRONG VINEYARDS

Allison is the estate vineyard manager for a family-owned and operated winery that farms 12 certified sustainable estate vineyards and produces wines.



Patty Martinez • Somis
MARZ FAMILY FARMS INC.

Patty is a second-generation grower and compliance manager at her family's business, which is one of the largest berry growers in Ventura County.



Tony Shelton • Bakersfield
THE WONDERFUL COMPANY

Tony is the VP of environmental health and safety at a global company that grows, harvests, bottles, packages and markets a diverse range of products.



Megan Bell • Santa Cruz
MARGINS WINE

Megan is the founder and winemaker of a winery that produces low-intervention wines with organic grapes from lesser-known regions, vineyards and varietals.



Will Dyt • Nuevo
DYT DAIRY

Will is a partner on his family-owned and operated farm that milks 2,000 cows and produces milk for the leading dairy processing cooperative in the state.



Timothy Murray • Visalia
MURRAY AG REAL ESTATE

Timothy is the founder of an agricultural real estate company and a first-generation citrus grower in Tulare County.



Andrew Smith • Santa Rosa
COUNTY OF SONOMA

Andrew is the agricultural commissioner/sealer who promotes and protects agriculture through education, outreach, and enforcement of laws and regulations.



Hunter Berry • Turlock
YOSEMITE FARM CREDIT, ACA

Hunter is the special assets manager at a member-owned financial cooperative dedicated to serving farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses in California.



Consuelo Fernández • Ventura
BROKAW NURSERY

Consuelo is the chief operating officer at a nursery that specializes in producing clonal avocado trees and supplies over 85% of the California avocado industry.



Carson Pettit • El Dorado Hills
RPAC LLC

Carson is a grower relations field representative for the Northern San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys for a grower/processor of California almonds.



Trevor Tauzer • Davis
TAUZER APIARIES

Trevor is the chief of operations for his family's Northern California beekeeping operation that provides professional pollination to farmers across the state.



Kelly Bishop • El Centro
IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Kelly is a conservation program rep for an agency promoting efficient irrigation practices for the nation's largest ag-to-urban water conservation agreement.



Jarred Greene • Firebaugh
NICKEL FAMILY

Jarred is the assistant ranch manager at a family-owned farming operation with over 150 years of history, specializing in diverse orchards and row crops.



Janeth Quintero • Salinas
NATURIBE BERRY GROWERS INC.

Janeth is the senior manager of the product integrity department at a marketing cooperative – owned by growers – that specializes in strawberries.



Linda Torres • Healdsburg
CONSTELLATION BRANDS INC.

Linda is an assistant grower relations representative at a leading international producer and marketer of wine, beer and spirits.



Cameron Boomgaarden • Yuba City
VANN BROTHERS

Cameron is the orchard operations manager for a multigenerational, vertically integrated operation that farms almonds, walnuts and pistachios.



Rachael Laenen • Santa Paula
KIMBALL RANCHES - EL HOGAR

Rachael is a sixth-generation farmer and director of farming and operations for her family's 150-acre avocado ranch in Ventura County.



Jenny Scheer • Chico
WATER AND LAND SOLUTIONS

Jenny is an agricultural water specialist with a company that works with farmers on water challenges and also manages her family's walnut huller.



Jaime Valdovinos • Windsor
USDA - RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Jaime is a risk management specialist with a government agency that supports agricultural producers through subsidized crop insurance programs.

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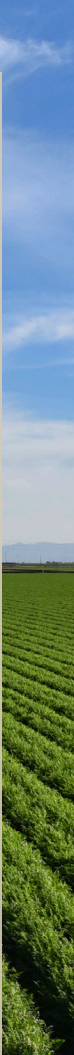
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California Agricultural Leadership Program

For more than 50 years, the California Agricultural Leadership Program (CALP) has provided an advanced leadership development experience for emerging, mid-career leaders in agriculture.

Our premier program – highly respected and the longest-running of its kind – teaches fellows leadership skills that help them expand their impact, increase their leadership capacity and tackle complex challenges. Over the course of the intensive 17-month program, fellows are immersed in numerous topics, including leadership theory, effective communication, motivation, critical thinking, change management, emotional intelligence and other skills and tools that contribute to improved performance. Fellows engage in situations and discussions focused on complex social and cultural issues, providing them with an opportunity to build enhanced critical thinking skills that, combined with a broader perspective, help graduates guide creative solutions throughout their lives.

Four exceptional partner universities – Cal Poly Pomona, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Fresno State and UC Davis – deliver integrated, comprehensive and diverse curriculum at the seminars. Fellows learn from first-rate educators, subject authorities and individuals from diverse professions

and backgrounds. National and international travel seminars provide further opportunities to use critical thinking to work through complex issues, understand interconnected systems and governments, gain confidence in how to engage in various processes, compare and contrast cultural dynamics, immerse oneself in different cultures and dialogue with policy leaders.

Through our high-impact curriculum, a balance of dynamic classroom presentations, case studies, experiential learning opportunities, individualized executive coaching and selected readings, fellows acquire important tools to enhance their leadership skills. They become lifelong leaders who individually and collectively act as a catalyst for a vibrant agricultural community and make a significant difference in the agricultural industry, their businesses, organizations, communities and families.

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