

Department of Crop and Soil Sciences & Outreach Centre

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION IN AN INTERNATIONAL FIELD COURSE IN AGROECOLOGY

'Integrated Project in Agro- and Ecosystems Engineering':

REF: INT FIELD COURSE/ADCLIM& /FARMRECORD4SD Call-2026

An **International Field Course: Integrated Project in Agro- and Ecosystems Engineering**, hosted by the **University of Eldoret** in collaboration with **KU Leuven (Belgium)**, is scheduled for **November 1–14, 2026**. The Field Course is funded by the **VLIR-UOS**-funded projects; **ADCLIM** (Adapting to Climate-Resilient Farming Systems in Western Kenya: The Sustainable Path by Embedding Agroecology in Research, Education and Outreach) and **FARMRECORD4SD** (Strengthening record keeping for sustainable and resilient smallholder farming system in western Kenya).

The field course program includes **pre-training workshops** at UoE followed by the **actual two-week field course** (one week of fieldwork and one week of report writing and presentation). **Multicultural, multidisciplinary teams of seven students** will **evaluate how agroecosystems and farming practices align with and apply the 13 principles of Agroecology in strengthening community resilience to climate change in Bungoma, Kakamega and Vihiga Counties**. They will also identify key constraints to sustainable rural development.

Student teams will present findings in a **summarized report** and a **graded poster presentation**. A multidisciplinary team of resource persons from both universities will demonstrate field methods, offer guidance and conduct course evaluation.

The course equips students to solve real community problems while fostering networks and collaborations for future careers. Applicants are, therefore, invited from all Schools and Departments at UOE for the 2026 International Field Course. Limited spaces are available.

Eligibility Criteria

1. **MSc registration** – Must be registered and undergoing a full-time MSc Programme in any of the Schools at UoE.
2. **Commitment letter** – A duly filled and signed commitment letter to attend all pre-training workshops and the two-week field course.
3. **Interest letter** – Signed by the HoD and the Dean.
4. **Previous participation** – Must not have participated in earlier editions of this course.

Application Deadline: 25th September 2026 at 23:59 hrs (Kenyan time).

Apply: <https://forms.gle/3Xtj7uGBNY8RnPBj8>

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