To give you an idea of the themes and activities of the summer at a broad scale you can refer to this overview of a past summer. Note that each summer is different and we adapt to changing conditions, reserve availabilities, and Scholar needs.

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| 1    | UCSC campus (dorms)| Team-building, leadership, field and research preparation | - Leadership, conflict resolution, public speaking workshops  
- Guided and open discussions on justice, equity inclusion, and diversity in conservation  
- Natural history exploration and ecological pattern activities |
| 2    | Big Creek Reserve (tent camping) | Research, coastal ecosystems, watersheds | - Learning field sampling methods and experimental design  
- Scholar led rapid research projects  
- Exercises in science communication, storytelling, and poster presentations of rapid research |
| 3    | Point Reyes Reserve (tent camping) | Mixed-use landscapes, research, conservation organizations, recreation | - Student-designed research projects spanning marine, freshwater, coastal, grassland, and forest ecosystems surrounding the Olema Valley |
| 4    | San Francisco State University (dorms) | Urban conservation | - Visits with non-profit and government organizations exploring environmental health, environmental justice, and urban biodiversity conservation.  
- Practicing scientific writing and advanced analysis techniques |
| 5    | Yosemite National Park / Wawona (bunkhouse) | Public land history, forest ecosystems, and management | - With park staff, exploring the past and present of Yosemite National Park in the context of U.S. conservation.  
- Introduction to Sierra ecology and natural history |
| 6    | Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Lab (bunkhouse) | Professional skills, resource management, scientific literacy | - Professional workshops on resumes, cover letters, and more  
- Exploring resource management challenges from US and Tribal Government perspectives  
- Interpreting peer-reviewed literature |
| 6/7  | White Mountains Research Center (bunkhouse) | Scholar research, alpine ecosystems | - Student-led research projects in subalpine and alpine ecosystems.  
- Honing scientific presentations skills and storytelling |
| 7-8  | UCSC campus (dorms) | Planning for future, research capstone | - Individual career planning and vision setting  
- Analysis of data from the final research project  
- Preparing scientific talks, figures, and findings  
- Presenting in a final research symposium UCSC campus |