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Practice Abstract #31: How to be a successful agroecology student (for students)

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To be(come) a successful agroecology student starts with a strong interest in the long-term sustainability of agrifood systems, an open mind, and eagerness to learn and act.

Firstly, to learn about sustainability of agriculture and food systems, you should be keen on understanding and solving complex problems. Moreover, you should be eager to work on these problems in international teams. If you want to make a difference in agrifood systems by linking knowledge to action, you have already one of the most important qualities to become a successful agroecology student.

Secondly, you should be open to multiple views and be (?) willing to learn individually and in groups (peer learning).

Therefore, you should be(come) a good communicator and facilitator. Key to engaging in your own learning process is to train yourself in the competence of reflection. You should regularly take time to reflect. This will enrich your learning process and help you to become a life-long learner.

Thirdly, you should be keen on phenomenon-based and action-oriented learning. Do you like to start learning by observing what happens in the world out there? Do you like to learn how to take action that contributes to long-term sustainability of agrifood systems? If the answer is yes, then you have the right mindset.

To be a successful agroecology student means that you have all these interests, engage fully in your learning process, and enjoy the journey. Have fun!



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Practice Abstract #31: Cómo ser un/a estudiante de agroecología exitoso/a (para estudiantes)

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Para ser (llegar a ser) un/a estudiante de agroecología exitoso/a comienza con un gran interés en la sostenibilidad a largo plazo de los sistemas agroalimentarios, una mente abierta y ganas de aprender y actuar.

En primer lugar, para aprender sobre la sostenibilidad de la agricultura y los sistemas alimentarios, debes interesarte por comprender y resolver problemas complejos. Además, deberías estar ansioso por trabajar en estos problemas en equipos internacionales. Si deseas marcar la diferencia en los sistemas agroalimentarios vinculando el conocimiento con la acción, ya tienes una de las cualidades más importantes para convertirte en un/a estudiante de agroecología exitoso/a.

En segundo lugar, debes estar abierto/a a múltiples puntos de vista y estar (?) Dispuesto/a a aprender individualmente y en grupos (aprendizaje entre pares). Por lo tanto, debes ser (convertirte en) un/a buen comunicador/a y facilitador/a. La clave para participar en tu propio proceso de aprendizaje es capacitarle en la competencia de la reflexión. Debes tomarte un tiempo para reflexionar con regularidad. Esto enriquecerá tu proceso de aprendizaje y te ayudará a convertirte en un aprendiz de por vida.

En tercer lugar, debes interesarte por el aprendizaje basado en fenómenos y orientado a la acción. ¿Te gusta empezar a aprender observando lo que sucede en el mundo? ¿Te gusta aprender a tomar medidas que contribuyan a la sostenibilidad de los sistemas agroalimentarios a largo plazo? Si la respuesta es sí, entonces tienes la mentalidad correcta.

Ser un/a estudiante de agroecología exitoso/a significa tener todos estos intereses, participar plenamente en tu proceso de aprendizaje y disfrutar el viaje. ¡Diviértete!