

Join us this autumn for the first ever

PERMACULTURE RESEARCH

transdisciplinary • participatory • action-oriented • systems-based

DESIGN COURSE

October 9 - 13, 2016 in Vale da Lama, Portugal



at Quinta do Vale da Lama (Campo do Vale)

Topics include

- History and state of permaculture research
- Ethics, principles, and press for research design
- Developing a shared research agenda
- Monitoring and documentation
- Practical and integrative methods
- Developing practitioner networks and research partnerships

This course features

- Teaching team of leaders in the emerging field of permaculture research
- Participatory curriculum with experienced instructors and facilitators
- Multidisciplinary methods practicum
- Research design practicum with group or individual design projects.
- Diverse and beautiful permaculture site

Cost: €300 - €500 sliding scale

Includes course, food, camping accommodations, and pick up/drop off from nearby travel hubs.
Rooms available for an additional fee. Tents supplied if needed at no additional cost.
Participants with institutional support are encouraged to pay higher on the scale.

This course is designed for professional researchers, inspired practitioners, graduate students, extension agents, and others. **Prior Permaculture Design Course is recommended.**

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for more information or to register

Teaching Team

Rafter Sass Ferguson, PhD. Agroecology, political ecology. Postdoctoral Research Fellow for Bottom-up Climate Adaptation Strategies Towards a Sustainable Europe (BASE) at University of Lisbon. Principal at liberationecology.org

Gil Penha-Lopes, PhD. Functional ecology and climate change adaptation. Lecturer on Sustainability and Co-Founder of ECOLISE. Team leader for BASE.

Hugo Oliveira. Landscape ecology, transformative learning and permaculture design. Researcher with BASE. PhD student on Interdisciplinary Landscape Management - permaculture grassroots movement in Portugal.

With guest instructors

David Avelar, Researcher at Lisbon University. PhD student in ecosystem-based adaptation to climate change and Ecomics. Collaboration in HortaFCUL permaculture living lab.

Catherine Bukowski. Food forestry, rural and urban development, community food forestry in the US. PhD student in agroforestry at Virginia Tech.*

Abigail Conrad, PhD. Applied anthropology, mixed-methods evaluation of farming systems, food security on permaculture farms in Malawi. Senior Analyst at Abt Associates.*

Immo Fiebrig, PhD. Sustainability assessment of permaculture systems, monitoring and evaluation. Research Fellow at Centre for Agroecology, Water, and Resilience at Coventry University (UK).

Steve Gabriel. Author of *Farming the Woods: An Integrated Permaculture Approach to Growing Food and Medicinals in Temperate Forests*, researcher and educator with Cornell Small Farms Program.*

Tom Henfrey, PhD. Environmental anthropology, grassroots sustainability action, community energy. Senior Researcher and Learning Programmes Coordinator at Schumacher Institute (UK), Research Fellow at BASE.

Kevin Morel. Agroecology, urban agriculture, decision making and labor productivity on microfarms. PhD student at INRA/AgroParisTech, UMR SADAPT (Sciences pour l'Action et le Développement: Activités, produits, territoires).

Eric Toensmeier. Author of *The Carbon Farming Solution: A Global Toolkit of Perennial Crops and Regenerative Agriculture Practices for Climate Change Mitigation and Food Security*, Senior Research Fellow at Project Drawdown.*

André Vizinho. Permaculture designer and PhD student with BASE on climate change adaptation, grassroots innovation, action research.

**remote presenters*

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