Disc* (Design & Innovation for Sustainable Cities) is a five week summer program geared towards currently enrolled undergraduates with any level of previous experience in planning. Participants conduct field work, develop visual communication, mapping and design software skills, and connect with practitioners and faculty in a series of lectures and seminars on climate resiliency, global urbanization, sustainability, design and related topics. The Bay Area becomes a laboratory for exploration of the ethical, social and ecological issues surrounding city planning and urban design. Application deadline: May 15.

The Summer [IN]STITUTE in Environmental Design’s [IN]CITY program is an immersive introduction to the fundamentals of sustainable city and regional planning for post-baccalaureates with no prior experience in planning who are curious about what a graduate level planning program is like. Over the course of six weeks on the Berkeley campus, participants experience the intensity and rigor of a planning seminar, attending lectures and discussions, media seminars and site visits, developing proposals for real world clients, and building a network of like-minded peers that will follow them through their academic and professional careers. Recent graduates of the Institute have been accepted to graduate planning programs at UC Berkeley, Columbia, Princeton, MIT, UCLA, Harvard, University of Michigan, and elsewhere. Application deadline: May 15.