May 2016

Taught MSc Newsletter

Dear Offer Holder

Welcome to our May Newsletter. Many of you will soon be taking final year exams; good luck and don’t forget to submit a completed 'Certification of Degree Result' form as soon as possible.

If you are using an email address provided by your current university, don’t forget that this might soon stop functioning. Please send us an alternative email address so that we can keep in touch.

Over the coming months keep an eye on our offer holders page where we’ll be posting information regarding reading lists, course programmes, induction week timetable etc. Why not introduce yourself on the offer holders forum? You can get to know your fellow students before you arrive. warwick.ac.uk/pglifesci/offerholders

Best wishes from the Taught Masters Team

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Food Security, Sustainable Crop Production and Environmental Bioscience Field Trip

Students went to Abbey Home Farm to see an organic farm in action. They had a tour with John Newman, the farm manager, around a small part of the 650 hectare farm and the shop, which sells a wide range of organic produce. Despite the rainy English weather, students gained valuable knowledge of organic meat, dairy and crop production.
Innovative Food Systems Teaching and Learning (IFSTAL)

Are you interested in food? If so you can join IFSTAL which offers training in the methods and practice of ‘food systems’ thinking. IFSTAL is cross-institutional and multi-disciplinary; participants work together with other students and leading academics from 7 different higher education institutions (Oxford, City, Reading and Warwick Universities and the Royal Veterinary College, SOAS and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine). By using an online portal as well as face-to-face lectures, group seminars, away days, and a summer school featuring links to the work place, IFSTAL provides you with a wide range of interesting and enjoyable activities. IFSTAL also has links with a wide range of experts working across the food system, from government to the food industry and NGOs, making IFSTAL a great step on the career ladder!

Scholarships

Clyde Higgs Scholarships - up to six scholarships, each worth £5,800, are available to UK applicants for our MSc courses in Food Security, Sustainable Crop Production and Environmental Bioscience in a Changing Climate for the academic year 2016/17.

Congratulations to the two students to be awarded a Commonwealth Shared Scholarship or a University of Warwick GREAT India Scholarship. We look forward to welcoming you here in October.

Open Day

If you’re still not sure about study at Warwick, why not come along to an Open Day on 24 or 25 June? Find out more about the courses and meet some of the team. It will be busy so please book.

Meet our alumni - Gloria Ecklu

Recently Gloria attended the British Council UK schools exhibition in Accra, Ghana. Attending alumni submitted an account of their experiences whilst studying in the UK and Gloria won first prize!

“Despite a world-class education in which my mind was challenged to new dimensions, the best part of being at Warwick was experiencing its unique and very alive form of diversity. I have been inspired to live. We are all required to save the planet and make the world a better place in big and small ways. And I believe the best way to do that is to live to the max. Do something new, challenge the status quo. In that way, we inspire others and make room for them to live too. These are values the University of Warwick upholds.”

Gloria Ecklu
Biotechnology, Bioprocessing & Business Management

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