



Vacancy Title:	Summer Research Placement in Fresh Produce
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Brief Company Description: (Activities, customers, size)	Harper Adams University is a higher education institution in Shropshire, England. In terms of the provision of courses relating to the land-based sector, it is the largest provider by student numbers in the UK and is one of only three remaining specialist institutions of its kind in England. Information about on-going research at HAU can be found at http://www.harper-adams.ac.uk/research/
Vacancy Description:	We are looking for 4-5 UK undergraduates to work on industry supported projects for 7 weeks. The placements are based at the Fresh Produce Research Centre at Harper Adams University. The students will be working with a group of scientists covering a broad range of agronomy and crop physiology research. The placements are funded by industry as part of a 5 year programme to give students at institutions around the UK the opportunity to get experience of applied research in fresh produce – a sector with a low profile in many colleges and

	<p>universities, but with strong employment prospects for graduates with relevant experience. The placements are based at Harper Adams University as it is home to the Fresh Produce Research Centre and has a substantial current programme of fresh produce research and teaching delivered to HAU undergraduates – resources that can be accessed by other undergraduates through this placement.</p> <p>The student will get:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ownership of their own project • Research mentoring • Technical support • Interaction with fresh produce businesses involved • Relevant experience for their CV
Person Requirements:	BSc or FdSc undergraduate in the area of agriculture, horticulture, environmental science, plant science or biology (or related degree). In some cases recent graduates could be considered.
Type of work involved:	Field trials, data collection, analysis and presentation. Actual projects will be allocated depending on experience and interests when students start the placement.
Salary:	£100 per week
Duration of placements:	Placements will run from Monday July 6 – Friday August 21 2015.
Accommodation:	Self-catering accommodation is provided on campus within the placement for no additional cost.
Application details:	<p>Please send a brief (1-2) page CV and a short covering note explaining why you are interested in research work with fresh produce crops to:</p> <p>Dr Jim Monaghan Principal Lecturer - Fresh Produce Harper Adams University Newport, Shropshire, TF10 8NB OR jimmonaghan@harper-adams.ac.uk</p>
Closing Date:	Deadline for applicants is April 30, 2015. You may be interviewed by phone or Skype, so please give a contact phone number.