



The Organic Farmers & Growers Scholarship 2016 In Memory of Bill Allen

Who can apply?

To be eligible to apply you must have applied for and been offered an unconditional or conditional place on the MSc Agro-ecology programme at Harper Adams University and must be starting your studies in Autumn 2016 and have achieved, or be expected to achieve a minimum of a 2:1 Honours degree at the point of application. If an applicant is awaiting his/her degree results at the point of application, the award may be offered conditionally upon confirmation of the applicant achieving a 2:1 Honours degree or higher.

The Scholarship

The successful Scholarship recipient will receive an award valued at £4,000 for the academic year that they study on campus at the University. The successful applicant will receive the scholarship in 2 equal parts, to be paid via BACS transfer. The first to be paid in February 2017 following mandatory attendance at the DT Scholarship presentation and the second in May 2017.

Harper Adams University, in association with Organic Farmers & Growers, reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship if satisfactory academic progress is not maintained and/or there is a breakdown in the relationship between the parties and the scholar.

NB: The scholar must remain registered as a full time student at Harper Adams; he/she must pass all modules of study during the continuation of their scholarship and he/she must submit at least one written report to the Chairman of the HAU Development Trust.

This is a competitive award and will be evaluated on the merit of the applicant and his/her application and interview. The decision of the Scholarship Panel is **FINAL**.

Application Process:

In addition to signing the below consent form

1. Please provide a covering letter answering the following questions:

- Why have you selected to study Agro-ecology?
- What are your career plans upon graduation from the MSc Agro-ecology course?
- How would you use the scholarship if you were successful in your application?

2. Please include a 2 page CV with your application.

Interviews will take place at Harper Adams University on Tuesday 26 July 2016

. Please be aware that an alternative interview date cannot be arranged!

The Interviewee will be required to prepare and give a 5-10 minute presentation during the interview based on the following topic:

'How do you see 'sustainable food production' fitting into the broader food economy and in particular how this would fit into the macro food production environment?'



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Please return your completed application, signed consent and CV (all single sided) to:
Renée Gallina-Morris, The Development Trust, M48, Harper Adams University, Newport, Shropshire
TF10 8NB, UK

We regret that no late applications can be accepted.

Organic Farmers & Growers reserve the right to withdraw their scholarship at any time should they feel this action is required. The decision of the Organic Farmers & Growers Scholarship Panel, regarding the award of the scholarship, is final.

In the event that Organic Farmers & Growers requests UCAS and/or academic information to assess your application, your authorisation and signature is required. Please indicate this below.

I **authorise** HAU to provide UCAS/academic information to Organic Farmers & Growers

Full Name..... **Student ID**.....

Course Title..... **Signature**.....

Deadline for submission of applications is: 12pm on Friday 15th July 2016.

**Please note that you MUST submit a hard copy directly to the DT Office.
Electronic copies will NOT be accepted.**