

## The Rabobank Agri-food Scholarship 2016-17

### Who can apply?

The Rabobank Scholarship will be awarded to one first year BSc student at Harper Adams University to study for an **undergraduate degree** in the following courses: **All Agriculture Related Courses, Agri-business BSc (Hons) or Agri-food Marketing with Business Studies BSc (Hons)**

### The Scholarship

The successful Scholarship recipient will receive an award valued at £9,000 for years 2 & 4. In their third year, the scholar will be required to undertake a 12 month placement with Marks & Spencer, the industry partner, working in association with Rabobank. **Please note:** the choice of placement provider is non-negotiable and failure to undertake a placement with Marks & Spencer will result in the withdrawal of the Scholarship and the scholar will be required to repay the Rabobank Scholarship awarded.

Harper Adams University, in association with Rabobank and Marks & Spencer, 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.

### The successful scholar will receive:

- **£9,000** for years 2 and 4 at Harper Adams University (payable in years, 2 and 4. Year 3 is the placement year where the chosen scholar will undertake paid employment with Marks & Spencer).

**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 annually 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:

#### 1. Please answer the following questions in your covering letter:

- Why have you selected to study your chosen course?
- What are your long term career aspirations?
- Why are you interested in applying for this award?

**2. Separately, please include a full CV with your application.** Please note that the scholarship panel will also have access to the information you have provided to Harper Adams University on your UCAS application form.

**Interviews** will take place at Marks & Spencer plc **on Tuesday 27 September 2016**  
Waterside House, London W2 1NW.

**Interviewee will be required to prepare a 10 minute presentation based on the following topic to be given at interview: *In light of the contentious issues with differentials in high street prices and prices to producers, what can M&S do to maintain or strengthen their relationship with suppliers?***

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



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**Please return your completed application and CV 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.**

**Rabobank/Marks & Spencer reserve the right to withdraw their scholarship at any time should they feel this action is required. The decision of the Rabobank/Marks & Spencer Scholarship Panel, regarding the award of the scholarship, is final.**

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In the event that Rabobank/Marks & Spencer 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 Rabobank/Marks & Spencer

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

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

**Deadline for submission of applications is: 12pm noon on Thursday 30 June 2016.**