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 let PG Admissions know your result so that offers can be made unconditional.

Over the coming months keep an eye on our offer holders web page where we’ll be posting useful information including pre-reading lists, course programmes and the induction week schedule.

Best wishes from the Taught Masters Team
Katie Baker, Denny Croft & Therese Lepicard

Scholarships & Funding

Clyde Higgs Scholarships
Six scholarships worth £6400 for UK students applying for Food Security or Sustainable Crop Production. Deadline 30 June 2018.

Don’t forget the Postgraduate Loan Scheme

Agroforestry and Organic Farming in Practice

In the middle of May Masters students on the Food Security, Sustainable Crop Production and Environmental Bioscience courses visited two UK farms. This followed up on an agroforestry session which is part of the Organic and Low Input Systems module led by Stephen Briggs. The first farm, managed by Stephen and his wife Lynn, is organic and Stephen grows cereal crops between rows of apple trees, which he has planted to reduce wind erosion and increase biodiversity. The second farm, owned by Stephen Parsley, grows cereal crops between rows of a wide range of tree species, chosen for a whole range of attributes such as fruit and nut production, nitrogen fixation and again to increase biodiversity. It was extremely interesting to see both agroforestry and an organic farming system in practice.
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