

Welcome!

Welcome to the latest edition of LECTern. We were pleased to welcome alumni to our recent **LEC Careers Fair and Panel Events**, where students got an insight into the wide range of careers that graduates end up in. If you'd be interested in sharing your experiences, please get in touch. I'd also encourage any alumni willing to mentor current students to check out **Lancaster's Careers Mentoring programme**.



We're also trying to expand our methods of contacting current students and alumni. Our new **facebook page** advertises events, our weekly careers bulletin, and stories of interest for and about our past and present students. **Our blog** will be a place for longer form pieces, as well as short "where are you now?" alumni profiles. See an example of our first one **here**. If you too would be willing to provide a profile (short Q&A format) then me know via **email**, we'd love to hear from you!

Your Details

Alumni ID:

Name:

Address (abbreviated):

Employment Information:

Update your Lancaster University alumni record here

Paul Young, Lecturer and LEC Careers and Alumni Officer.



Latest News



Award Winning Success



Alumni news

Life after Lancaster

This term has seen the success of five careers focussed events for LEC students.

As well as our 3rd annual LEC Careers Fair, students had the opportunity to hear from professionals who graduated with degrees in Geography, Environmental Science and Ecology. This provided a useful insight into how students might use their degrees after university.

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Learning from Industry

Stefan Schade moved from Germany to Lancaster after becoming fascinated by toxicology - the underlying principles of how chemicals adversely affect living organisms.

A unique module taught by scientists from Unilever transformed a prizewinning student's understanding of his subject, and set him on his chosen career path.

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Knowledge without borders

Twenty-five years ago, while working for the European Commission, Dr David Stanners was one of a small group of people tasked with setting up the European Environment Agency to develop comparable environmental information across Europe. The Lancaster alumnus explains how it helps improve environmental policy.

Read LINK more



World Leading



Environmental Award



World Wide Reputation

Research that gets noticed

A research paper, published in Nature, mapped global tree density and revealed there are about 3.04 trillion trees on the planet, a much larger number than previously thought.

The paper was the 11th most discussed academic article online between November 2014 and November 2015, according to Altimetric, which published an annual list of the top 100.

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Environmental chemist honoured

A leading air pollution scientist who began his academic career at Lancaster University has been awarded an honorary doctorate

Professor Roy Harrison OBE was awarded an honorary doctorate by Lancaster University on 9 December 2015 with many of his former Lancaster PhD students and researchers watching the ceremony.

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5 reasons to be cheerful

A world wide reputation, amazing field trips and satisfied students are just a few of the benefits of studying at the Lancaster Environment Centre.

Our mission at the Lancaster Environment Centre is to improve understanding of the world's most significant environmental challenges and to help find solutions.

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Latest Blogs



Dr Stuart Sharp reports back from an expedition to the Congo searching for an elusive African bird, about which almost nothing is known. Find out **more** about Stuart's research, and about Ecology at Lancaster Environment Centre.



Dr Justina Ukpabor **explains the challenges facing women scientists** in her African homeland, and how Lancaster University is helping her, and other scientists, overcome them. Women are discouraged from entering "designated" male dominated science subjects with the view that the kitchen is the sole domain of a woman.

Ways you can be involved

Are you now an employer looking to host an internship?

Would you like to create an Alumni Profile?

*Do you have a story to share for our next Alumni newsletter, or **BeyondLEC blog**?*

Looking for other ways to be involved?

Please send Paul an **email**

Staff Leavers

LEC is sorry to see the following staff leave us, but we wish them well with whatever is next!

Dr Magdalena Bieroza (Senior Research Associate), Dr Chang'er Chen (Research Associate), Mr Petr Vopenka (Research Associate)

New Faces

We are pleased to be welcoming the following new (or soon to start) staff to LEC:

Mr Joe Action (Senior Research Associate), **Mrs Ellie Appleton** (Undergraduate Teaching Coordinator), **Dr Ali Birkett** (Research Associate), **Mr James Carbert** (Conversion and Marketing Coordinator), **Miss Nicola Carter** (Postgraduate Studies Administrator - China Catalyst), **Dr Alexandra Gormally** (Lecturer in Subsurface and Society), **David Gullick** (Senior Research Associate), **Dr Edmund Ryan** (Senior Research Associate).

Reflection

We'd love to hear what you think of these newsletters and what you'd like to see in the future - please send Paul an **email**.

LEC's Keep in Touch:



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