FdSc Sustainable Land Management





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Welcome to your university course guide. Here you will find all the information you need for starting in September including your equipment list, trips, reading list and much more.

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Notable Guest Speakers



<u>Louise Butfoy</u> | Trees Outside Woodlands Project Coordinator, <u>Kent County Council</u>

<u>Laura Vaughan-Hirsch</u> | White Stork Project Officer, <u>Knepp</u> <u>Wildlands Foundation</u>

<u>Claire Munn</u> | Ecologist & Associate Director, <u>David Archer</u> Associates

<u>Matthew Phelps</u> | Nature Recovery Officer, <u>Sussex Wildlife</u> <u>Trust</u>

Trips & Visits

The programme will provide students will an opportunity to participate on a range of engaging field visits and excursions, which could include visits to:

- Knepp Rewilding Project
- Snowdonia National Park
- Wildwood Kent
- RSPB Dungeness
- The Rare Breeds Centre

We are excited to be undertaking and participating in impactful research in the sector. Some projects we are currently working on include:

- Effectiveness of different soil management strategies (no dig vs. min till vs. conventional cultivation)
- Measuring specific indicators to assess sustainability of different practices (carbon sequestration, biodiversity, soil food web)
- Evaluating the impact of conservation grazing on biodiversity
- Use of camera traps to assess deer population density in the South Downs National Park

Completion of the FdSc Sustainable Land Management can lead to a diverse range of career pathways, across a wide range of disciplines in the environmental and sustainability sectors. Key job roles included:

- Sustainability Coordinator
- Landscape Officer
- Environmental Consultant
- Wildlife Ranger
- Biodiversity Officer
- Green Infrastructure Project Coordinator
- Climate Change Resilience Roles
- Nature Policy Officer
- Environment and Planning Advisor
- GIS Consultancy





Equipment List



When working on practical activities you will need to wear personal protective equipment (PPE). This includes:

- Steel toe-capped black working boots (these must cover the ankle) – for practical use
- Walking boots for normal site use
- Overalls for stock work
- Full waterproofs jacket and trousers worn over dry clothes
- Gloves x2 pairs one thick pair for work with thorn/scrub and one thin pair for other work

Reading List



The following reading is recommended for the programme:

Ausden, M. 2013. Habitat Management for Conservation: A Handbook of Techniques. Oxford University Press.

Cameron, R.W.F., Hitchmough, J.D. 2016. Environmental Horticulture, Science and Management of Green Landscapes. CABI Digital Library.

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