Courses

Short courses at CAZS Natural Resources

Bangor University, Wales, UK Various dates throughout the year Cost: Tuition fees begin at around £3000 for one standard 3 week module

CAZS-NR has for many years provided short courses in a number of natural resources - and environment-based topics. These currently range from simple 3 or 5 week courses based around existing MSc modules, with the addition of tuition, practical work and visits tailored to the specific requirements of the participants, up to full 12-week courses designed in response to the requirements of a particular sponsor. The modulebased courses are ideal for rural development workers who cannot spend long periods away from their place of work, but want exposure to recent scientific advances. They are a flexible option for extending knowledge and professional skills, and expanding career options. For the module-based courses, fees are reduced for more than one student. The more specialized courses provide an opportunity for in-depth study or training in a particular area of interest, and are suited to those who need to develop particular skills for existing or new job responsibilities.

Details: http://www.cazs.bangor.ac.uk/ccstudio/CourseInfo/cazscourses_Overview.php

The Biodiversity of Borneo

Malaysia 1 June- 9 July 2010 Cost: US\$6000

This course led by Harvard University focuses on the evolutionary and ecological processes that lead to the amazingly high biodiversity of Borneo as well as the issues that seriously threaten that diversity today. Study involves a demanding mix of lectures, field projects, and personal exploration, with local and international experts as instructors. The course also offers a unique cross-cultural experience, as the 10 Summer School participants join a similar number of students and young scientists from Southeast Asian countries. The team moves among a number of sites, visiting the major forest, mountain, and marine environments in Borneo. At some sites students participate in group data collection, and at others they learn to conduct short independent research projects. A common thread throughout the course is statistical analysis. Students receive instruction in tropical forest ecology, plant systematics and biogeography, entomology, coral reef ecology, cultural anthropology, tropical conservation and management issues, and tropical medical issues and their environmental causes and consequences.

Details: http://www.summer.harvard.edu/2010/programs/abroad/borneo/

One Planet Leader program

2010 venue(s) to be confirmed

Various programs from March to May and September to November, 2010

Cost: Euro 3350-9650

One Planet Leaders is a program designed by wwF to help companies align business models with environmental and societal pressures. It helps companies understand and leverage the opportunities of sustainability and corporate social responsibility. The following programs are offered in Spring 2010 sessions: Workshop I: Sustainability and Your Business Future (March 3-5), Workshop II: Business Transformation for Sustainability (April 14-16); and Workshop III: Creating and Communicating Change for Sustainability (May 19-21).

Details: http://panda.org/what_we_do/how_we_work/businesses/training/



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