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**AGRICULTURAL
EDUCATOR AWARDS
2017**

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Introduction

This Charitable Trust was founded in 1981 by The Farmers Club to assist the agricultural community to achieve a number of objectives which will contribute to the development of the industry. Specific objectives are the dissemination of information, loans or scholarships or other financial assistance for research, or courses connected with the study of agriculture and support activities calculated to advance education and training in agriculture.

The Agricultural Educator Awards are part of the overall programme and are specifically designed to help those employed in agricultural education, especially those early in their career, to widen and develop their own technical expertise through study activities either inside or outside the United Kingdom. In doing so it is anticipated this will both assist the career prospects of the applicant and also any students for which they will be responsible after their return. The successful applicants will also be made honorary members of The Farmers Club for the duration of the award.

Awards

In 2017 a total of £25,000 is available for a number of study awards. Normally these would be up to 4 weeks duration but longer/shorter term awards will also be considered.

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Application

Applicants must at the time of application be actively involved in agricultural education or in a recognised agricultural establishment in the United Kingdom. All should provide the following information:

- (a) Outline plan of the programme of study they wish to undertake and a definitive title for the final report of the study period.
- (b) The country and place(s) where the study would be based.
- (c) The names and addresses of two referees, one of whom should be familiar with applicant's present employment.
- (d) An endorsement by the employer to the effect that he/she, subject to the applicant being successful, will be willing to:
 - (i) support the candidate's outline proposals and
 - (ii) continue to pay the applicant's salary for the duration of the award.
- (e) An endorsement by the applicant to the effect that:
 - (i) They are prepared to fulfil the conditions of the award, including the completion of a report and, if required, the presentation of a paper.
 - (ii) The closing date for applications is Monday 6th February 2017.

Selection Procedure

The Selection Committee will interview candidates who are shortlisted at The Farmers Club in London on Tuesday 14th March 2017 and results will be announced shortly thereafter.

To indicate your interest in entering for this Award scheme, please return the application below or download an application form from www.thefarmersclub.com/awards

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College/University _____

Name _____

Address _____

Tel. no. _____ Email _____

**Please return to: The Secretary, The Farmers Club,
3 Whitehall Court, London SW1A 2EL**

Any queries, please contact: Andrei Spence, The Secretary, The Farmers Club. Telephone 020 7930 3751 or email aspence@thefarmersclub.com.



RECENT AGRICULTURAL EDUCATOR AWARDS



2015	COLLEGE	TOPIC
ELEANOR BODEN	Myerscough College	Identify physiological barriers limiting females in dairy & horseracing industries and examine areas that can aid preparation for females going into male dominated employment (diary & racing).
DR AGNIESZKA DUDKIEWICZ	Holbeach Campus, Lincoln University	Sensory quality & shelf life of handmade butters compared to standard commercially produced butter.
LESLEY-JANE INNES	Reaseheath College	Knowledge transfer for learners; to improve effectiveness and on-farm outcomes basing travel research on grassland farming systems.
DR TONY WILSON	Easton & Otley College	Better understand use of precision management technologies in arable agri systems in the USA & UK.
DR MOSES AJAY	Holbeach Campus, Lincoln University	Evaluate the effectiveness of Ohmic Heating in Fruit Juice & Tomato Paste Processing.

2016	COLLEGE	TOPIC
DR JONATHAN COOPER	Harper Adams	To enhance agricultural education in the UK by researching an analogous system in Canada in order to relate it to the rapidly changing system of on-farm energy generation in the UK.
DR WENDY FERNANDES	Writtle Agricultural College	Broaden knowledge of aqua-culture production systems by facilitating research collaborations between producers, overseas universities, research institutes, existing UK research contacts and potential students.
DR NICK PRINCE	SRUC Aberdeen	Develop the teaching of Rural Surveying and land use.
RICHARD RUDGE	Hereford & Ludlow College	Further develop knowledge and understanding of the economy and emissions of agricultural diesel engines.