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Upcoming:

Saturday, Oct 8 – Winnipeg Blue Bomber Game at Investors’ Group Field. **Parking restrictions will be in effect for W lot starting at 1:30 p.m.**

Monday, Oct 10 – Thanksgiving holiday. University closed.

Tuesday, Oct 18, 9:00 a.m., Room 346 Ellis Building – M.Sc. thesis defence, Megan Westphal. “Nitrous Oxide Soil Emissions from an Organic and Conventionally Managed Cropping System in Manitoba.”

Friday, Oct 21, 2:30 p.m., Room 172 Agriculture Building – Eighth Annual Kraft Lecture, Dr. Joseph Glauber. “Whither U.S. Agriculture Trade Policy: Trump, Clinton, BREXIT, WTO, NAFTA and TPP.”

Saturday, Oct 29 – Winnipeg Blue Bomber Game at Investors’ Group Field. **Parking restrictions will be in effect for W lot starting at 1:30 p.m.**

Department Staff Away:

Lynda Closson	Oct 13 - 14
Terri Ramm	Oct 24 – Nov 7
Rob Ellis	Oct 24 – 28
Martha Blouw	Oct 7 – 24 (contact Bev.Godard@umanitoba.ca for grad student assistance)
Mario Tenuta	Oct 25–28 (Wpg workshop), Nov 1–2 (Ottawa), Nov 7–9 (Phoenix), Nov 16-17 (Moncton), Nov 22–24 (Calgary), Dec 6–7 (Thunder Bay), Dec 12–16 (San Francisco)

News:

Fundamental Science Review Invitation

Dr. Annemieke Farenhorst was invited to participate in a roundtable discussion in Calgary on September 29, 2016 to provide input to the Advisory Board charged with reviewing Canada's ecosystem and reporting to the Minister of Science. The Chair of the Advisory Board is Dr. David Naylor, President Emeritus and Professor of Medicine, University of Toronto. Information about the Advisory Board and its review process can be found at: www.sciencereview.ca.

Call for Nominations for CSSS Council Elections

At the end of 2016, the following CSSS Council elected positions will become vacant:

- President-Elect
- Eastern Councillor
- Graduate Student Representative

These positions are filled by election (or acclamation if there is only one candidate). They each require consent of the nominee and signatures of (or supporting e-mails from) three current CSSS members who are not current members of council. The duties and responsibilities of these positions can be found on the CSSS website (<http://www.csss.ca/index.php/council/job-descriptions>). Candidates for Eastern Councillor have to be from the eastern provinces (Ontario Quebec and Atlantic Canada). Elected councillors are expected to attend the CSSS AGM each year of their term; funds to assist with travel to attend the AGM are available from the CSSS.

Please send e-mail nominations by October 31, 2016 to Amanda Diochon (adiochon@lakeheadu.ca). Elections, if necessary, will be held after that date. For more information about these positions, please contact Maja Krzic (current CSSS President) at krzic@mail.ubc.ca, Nathan Basiliko (current Eastern Councillor) at nbasiliko@laurentian.ca, or Carolyn Wilson (current Graduate Student Representative) C.Wilson@dal.ca.

Opportunities:

NSERC - POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP, CANADA GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP – PhD

Applicants must transcripts to the Awards Office, Faculty of Graduate Studies on or before **October 7, 2016**. Applications are through NSERC's on-line system as instructed by NSERC (see NSERC's website). The University of Manitoba's internal deadline to submit applications on NSERC's on-line system is **October 21, 2016**. [Click for more information](#).

NSERC – Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master's Program

To apply to the CGS M Program, applicants must complete and submit an application using the Research Portal. Applicants should consult the [Canada Graduate Scholarships-Master's Program Instructions for Completing an Application](#). Application deadline (date by which the complete application must be submitted by the applicant): **December 1, before 8:00 p.m. (ET)**. Applications must be submitted by the deadline using the [Research Portal](#).

The Center on Conflict and Development Student Media Grant

This \$5000 photojournalism grant is open to current students worldwide who are passionate about capturing an issue facing conflict-affected areas of the world through stunning photography. Students wishing to chronicle a conflict-related issue in the United States (or in their home countries) are also, of course, encouraged to apply; though all of our past winners have chosen to focus on issues overseas.

How it works: Students propose an idea based on a conflict-related issue they would like to photograph, then travel to the pertinent country or area to conduct a photoexpedition, sending photos to ConDev throughout their trip so we can help highlight their work. Upon their return, the students edit and publish their photos and stories. ConDev provides the funds, but the students are entirely responsible for planning the trip, and for producing and promoting their own photos and stories. The competition is open to current undergraduate and graduate students as well as PhDs. Students graduating in May 2017 are also eligible. The grant is funded by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation Chair on Conflict and Development at Texas A&M University.

Application instructions: <http://condevcenter.org/student-media-grant/>.

Technical Product Lead (TPL) - Eastern Prairies, NutriAg Ltd.

NutriAg Ltd is a Canadian Company with international presence in the field of speciality fertilizers, spray adjuvants and biological products.

Area of Responsibility: Mainly the Province of Manitoba

Area of Residence: The successful candidate should ideally live or be willing to relocate to Southern Manitoba, preferably in the Winnipeg to Brandon corridor (Winnipeg, Steinbach, Portage La Prairie, Carman, Brandon, etc.).

Profile: The ideal candidate will have excellent interpersonal and presentation skills, be a confident selfstarter individual, results driven, and able to work independently and as part of a team.

Role:

- Be the product and technology expert for the province of Manitoba.
- Help launch new products and technologies in the area of responsibility
- Have a key role in positioning NutriAg's innovative portfolio in the region
- Be responsible of training and educating NutriAg's network of distributors in the area
- Assist management in the recruitment and development of new distributor accounts
- Promote distributors' sales growth through technical knowledge and credibility
- Travel regularly, mainly around the province of Manitoba

Experience: 5-7-years minimum experience in a technical or agronomic role. Experience with the production aspects of most key crops grown in the area (horticultural and cash crops). Familiar with basic aspects of product R&D, field scale product evaluations and demonstrations. General commercial acumen and deep understanding of Western Canadian agriculture, its potential and challenges.

Crops: Potato, sugar beet, canola, wheat, barley, corn, soybean, lentils, peas and others.

Remuneration: The selected candidate will receive a top tier salary according to the level of seniority required for the role. A complete benefits package and an aggressive bonus structure based on the business results of his/her own area of responsibility.

If you are interested in this position please send your applications to hr@nutriag.com.

Events:

ASA, CSSA and SSSA International Annual Meetings, Nov. 6-9, Phoenix, AZ

Graduate Students - Annual Meeting Information and Announcements

In addition to the science, there is an amazing line-up of sessions and workshops organized by the grad student and early career committees. View all of these sessions and more on the [Graduate Student Annual Meeting webpage](#) - which includes information on **sessions that require an RSVP**.

Last day for current registration rates is **October 12**.