

Welcome Week Timetable 2022 - Updated

MSc Biodiversity and Conservation

Monday 19th September – UK Public Holiday

Due to the funeral of Queen Elizabeth the 2nd, this day is now a public holiday and so no teaching will take place.

Tuesday 20th September – Queen Mary University

Induction day at Queen Mary University, Mile End Rd (E1 4NS).

Wednesday 21st September – RBG Kew

Please enter via the Jodrell Gate on Kew Road, opposite Gloucester Ct (TW9 3DS, what3words = bunks.banks.ranch) and meet at the Jodrell Laboratory Reception. Wear comfortable footwear and bring waterproofs. **Please aim to arrive at 9am to ensure a prompt start.**

Time	Activity	Location
09:15 - 10:00	Introduction to Kew Science Paul Kersey	Lady Lisa Lecture Theatre
10:00 - 10:30	Introduction to MSc at Kew Richard Gianfrancesco	Lady Lisa Lecture Theatre
10:30 - 12:00	Students divided into two groups to rotate between the following activities, with each session lasting 40 minutes.	
	Fungarium Tour Lee Davies	Meet in Wolfson Wing Atrium
	IT Set-up Ben Maddams	MSc PC Room (1.51)
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch	Gardens
13:00 - 14:00	Garden Tour Angela Fenhalls & Diana Terry	Start at Lily Pond and end at Herbarium Reception
14:00 - 14:50	Library and Archives Talk Anne Griffin	Meet in front of the Herbarium Reception
15:00 - 16:00	Living Collections Tour Lara Jewitt	Meet outside Kew Palace

Thursday 22nd September – RBG Kew

Meet at Jodrell Laboratory Reception.

Time	Activity	Location
09:30 - 12:00	Introduction to the Wild Areas of Kew Kalsum Yusah, Hauke Koch & Ruth Brookes	Jodrell Laboratory Reception
12:00 – 13:00	Health & Safety Elaine Porter	Lady Lisa Lecture Theatre
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break	Gardens
14:00 – 15:00	Herbarium Tour Nina Davies	Meet in front of the Herbarium Reception
15:00 - 16:00	Economic Botany Tour Ben Hill	Meet in front of the Herbarium Reception – then walk to Banks Building
16:00 – 17:00	Drinks Reception	Wolfson Wing Atrium

Friday 23rd September – Trip to Wakehurst

Arrive at the Elizabeth Gate (*what3words = reform.neck.loose*) by 08:00 sharp for the coach to Wakehurst. Bring waterproofs and comfortable footwear. It is also advised to bring a packed lunch. The Stables restaurant is available, however it can get busy with visitors at lunch so please bear this in mind. Main contact for the day is Richard on 07843766229. The emergency contact is the Millenium Seed Bank reception on 01444 894100.

Time	Activity	Location
08:00	Coach to Wakehurst	Meet at Elizabeth Gate, Kew
10:00 – 10:30	Introduction to Wakehurst Iain Parkinson	Visitor Centre/The oaks/the stables/paths to MSB
10:30 – 11:30	Tours of Millennium Seed Bank Sarah Gattiker, collections, research and partnership staff	Start at MSB Night Door, Possibly 5 groups to rotate: 1. Seed Collecting/MSBP (Parterres) 2. Seed cleaning; (cleaning lab) 3. Seed storage; (vault) 4. Germination & research (germ lab) 5. Propagation (MSB glasshouse)
11:30 – 15.00*	Group activity With flexible lunch break	American Prairie in front of Mansion
15:00 – 16:00	Feedback from groups on activity	The Gallery, (ground floor Mansion),
16:00 – 18:00	Return Coach to Kew	Wakehurst Car Park

* Students should take a lunch break during the group activity.