

ACU Commonwealth Summer School 2017

Creating greener narratives through the environmental arts and humanities

Saturday 5 - Sunday 13 August 2017
Bath Spa University, UK

The ACU Commonwealth Summer School – now in its seventh year – is an opportunity for talented university students from around the Commonwealth to come together for an exciting week of expert lectures, group work, field trips, skills development and social events.

Highlights from the 2016 Summer School, hosted by the University of Rwanda, can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

The Environmental Humanities

The 2017 Summer School will explore interrelationships between humans and other living beings, and between cultural practices and environmental problems – and will look at how these can be examined through different academic disciplines and creative arts. Bath Spa University is a world leader in research and teaching in these areas, and is therefore ideally placed to lead this discussion.

More information on this year's theme and the host university is [available here](#).

Take a look at the [draft programme](#) for more detail about what you can expect.

Speakers

Confirmed speakers include the following:

- Dr Martha Akawa-Shikufa – Deputy Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Science, University of Namibia
- Professor Irma Eloff – Faculty of Education, University of Pretoria, South Africa
- Martin Palmer – Environmentalist and religious historian
- Professor Kate Rigby – Research Centre for Environmental Humanities, Bath Spa University, UK
- Professor Anita Taylor – Dean, Bath School of Art and Design, UK

Who can attend?

The Summer School is open to participants who are either current postgraduate (Masters and Doctoral) or final year undergraduate students studying at any university in a Commonwealth country, plus students from ACU member institutions in Hong Kong and Zimbabwe. If you are an undergraduate student, you must have already started your final year of studies at the time of application.

The Summer School is a small and friendly event, with delegate numbers capped at 45. It is an interdisciplinary event and students from all academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Students who have already attended an ACU Commonwealth Summer School in a previous year are **not** eligible to attend.

Costs, bursaries and visa information

Registration fees are:

- **£350 (GBP)** for participants from ACU member universities
- **£450 (GBP)** for participants from Commonwealth universities which are not ACU members

A number of bursaries are available for students from ACU member universities. Further information on registration fees and bursaries is available here.

How to apply

Application guidance and the link to the application form is available here. Applications close at 12am (midnight, GMT) on **Wednesday 15 February 2017**.

If you have a query which is not answered on this page, please email summerschool@acu.ac.uk