



Entry for the Student Essay Competition 2008

“What makes a good bioscience lecturer?”

The Centre for Bioscience is pleased to offer you the chance to submit your opinions and experiences in a 1,000 word essay, “What makes a good bioscience lecturer?”. The winner will receive a prize of £250 and runners-up a prize of £50, the winning, runners-up and shortlisted essays will be published on the Centre for Bioscience’s website. The winning entry will be submitted to the Higher Education Academy’s national essay competition with first prize of a Toshiba laptop computer.

The competition is open to all UK higher education students (both undergraduate and postgraduate) studying a pure or applied biological science. Entries are limited to one per student and must be the original work of the student submitting the essay.

Essays will be judged against the following criteria and should:

- Answer the question by describing what makes a good bioscience lecturer
- Give the reader an overview of the factors that led to your answer
- Include examples of good and/or innovative teaching, learning and assessment methods you are experiencing in your course
- Be sensitive to cultural, contextual and institutional differences (i.e. it should not expose particular individuals or openly criticise an individual department or institution)
- Provide an individual and honest account
- As far as you can, see things from others’ viewpoints and provide potentially perceptive observations and helpful ideas for bioscience teaching staff
- Be entertaining and interesting to read
- Be well written in terms of structure, grammar and spelling
- Be 1,000 words in length. Essays over or under the word limit by more than 10% will be disqualified
- Be submitted on the application form in electronic format

By submitting an essay you agree to it being published by the Centre for Bioscience in various electronic and hardcopy formats.

Applications must be made on this form and submitted electronically (as an e-mail attachment) to Katherine Clark: k.a.clark@leeds.ac.uk, with the subject line “Student Essay Competition”.

Deadline for submission: 28th March 2008

Competition rules:

- entrants must be currently registered on a higher education pure or applied biological sciences course in the UK
- only one entry is permitted per student
- entries must be the original work of the student submitting the essay
- no alternative prizes will be offered
- the judges’ decision is final

Please make sure you have completed all the boxes on the application form before you submit your essay

1. Your details

Title	
First name	
Surname	
Term time address	
Home Address	
Telephone	
Term time e-mail	
Home e-mail	
Course title and type	<i>(e.g. BSc Zoology / PhD Plant Biochemistry)</i>
Year of course	1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th / 5 th
Department	
College / University	

2. How did you find out about this competition?

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3. Your essay

“What makes a good bioscience lecturer?”

Please indicate in the adjoining box the word count of your essay (N.B. essays more than 10% over or under the word limit will be disqualified)	
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Please type your essay into the box below (the box will expand as you type).

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