

**U3A Science, Technology and Society Network
Annual Residential Seminar
Monday 11th - Thursday 14th August 2014
Harper Adams University College, Newport**

Open to **all** U3A members

The seminar format is a mixture of talks, visits and socialising. Talks are at a general interest level so no specialist scientific knowledge is needed – just a general interest in the world around you. The programme starts at 2.00pm on Monday 11th and finishes after a buffet lunch on Thursday 14th August. Tuesday will include a coach visit to the Wedgwood Centre. The full programme will be available in May – 2013 programme is still on the website, to give you some idea of the format.

Cost

The residential cost is £250 per person in single en suite rooms, including meals as stated on the programme and visit.

There will be a limited number of places for day visitors at £110 including visit and meals (except breakfast).

Accommodation

Harper Adams (www.harper-adams.ac.uk) is just outside Newport, Shropshire. Postcode for satnav is: TF10 8NB. Nearest railway is at Telford or Stafford but buses are infrequent.

Accommodation is on 2 floors, in single student bedrooms with en suite facilities. **There is no lift in the residential block** so please indicate if you need a ground floor room.

Rooms will also be available for early arrivals on the night of **Sunday 10th August** at an additional cost of £48 including breakfast.

Alternatively, you may arrange your own accommodation and attend as a day delegate.

Meals

Our first meal will be an evening meal on Monday 11th. Thereafter the price includes cooked breakfast, evening meal, coffee/tea for the breaks when we are working at the Centre. There will also be a buffet lunch on Wednesday and before we depart on Thursday.

Please advise us if you have special dietary requirements.

Other facilities

The campus is wheelchair friendly and there are lifts in the teaching block. There is a small shop on site and a bar which is open in the evenings.

Bookings

Send a deposit of £75 - cheques payable to **Third Age Trust** - to 61 Orkney Drive, Sunderland SR2 0TB. **Balance due by 1st June**. Please book early: we will try to accommodate late bookings, but it may not always be possible. Refunds for cancellations made after 30 April will be at the Third Age Trust's discretion.

Queries

Organised by members of the U3A Science, Technology and Society Network: Roger Fletcher (speakers), Elsie Denham (bookings & general admin) and Reg Thirkettle (visits). General questions about the seminar can be addressed to either Roger or Elsie. **Please address all enquiries to the organisers**: The Third Age Trust and Harper Adams are supportive of the Seminar but unable to answer queries or deal with bookings.

Updates will be on the website, and full joining details will be sent out in June/July.

Correspondence will be by email but if you want postal acknowledgments, please send an sae.

PROGRAMME

MONDAY	
Afternoon	<i>Lectures</i>
Evening	<i>Social session</i>
TUESDAY	
Morning & Afternoon	<i>Visit</i>
Evening	<i>Lectures</i>
WEDNESDAY	
Morning	<i>Lectures</i>
Afternoon	<i>Lectures</i>
Evening	<i>Discussion</i>
THURSDAY	
Morning	<i>Lectures</i>
Seminar ends after buffet lunch	