

University of Canterbury School of Forestry

Industry Support For School "Overwhelming"

The major players in the New Zealand forestry industry have shown their support for the forestry programme at the University of Canterbury by offering new student scholarships, both for high school students enrolling in Year 1, and students who are continuing on in the degree. Nelson Pine Industries, Weyerhaeuser New Zealand, Ernslaw One and Rayonier are offering Scholarships. Wenita Forest Products and Carter Holt Harvey are providing financial assistance to promote forestry in high schools. Other industry organisations have agreed to provide vacation employment and assistance in promoting forestry at career fairs. Professor Roger Sands has stated that the level of support is extremely gratifying and shows the importance that the industry puts on the long-term future of the School.

Rayonier Scholarship Awarded



James Everett, Managing Director of Rayonier South Pacific, presents the Rayonier Scholarship to Jeremy Mansell, a second year Bachelor of Forestry Science student. Rayonier has been a long-time supporter of the School of Forestry offering the \$3000 Scholarship to students advancing beyond the second year of the degree. The company also awards a \$1000 Scholarship to a Year 1 student, and offers summer work and graduate placements to students.

Wood Science Research Visit to China

Professor John Walker spent three weeks in and around Beijing hosted by the Chinese Research Institute of Wood Industry. He found the pleasures of temples and tombs nothing compared to the brilliance, intensity and rigour of their young researchers – and their colleagues at the Beijing Forestry University. There is a lust for understanding. At their best they interrogate – collectively and individually they want to know. Yes,

Canterbury's best stand comparison: John remembers a student exclaiming that the North Island field trip was "better than a holiday with his parents in Fiji", and another who actually looked forward to the 8am lectures...

Forest Harvest Planning Course Boosted by CYANZ

The School of Forestry's Forest Harvest Planning course was strengthened recently with the purchase of CYANZ, a computer-based cable yarding planning programme, which is becoming widely used by industry planners in New Zealand and overseas. This addition to our suite of forest harvesting and transport software, and our GIS/GPS packages, will enable our students to be well prepared to meet the needs of the forestry industry.



Pic: Hermione Richards, Product Development Manager for HarvestPro, introducing CYANZ to the Fourth Year Harvest Planning Course.

Lincoln University

Applications open for 2004 intake

Applications for 2004 intake of the Forest Industry Management specialisation in Lincoln University's Master of Professional Studies degree (M Prof Studs) are now being accepted.

The degree provides advanced-level education for forestry industry managers who can't commit to full-time study or to an on-campus lecture schedule. Unlike a standard MBA, Lincoln's professional masters looks beyond general business and management disciplines by offering industry-specific professional development.

To obtain the Master of Professional Studies degree students complete four 600-level papers from a pool of generic business management papers plus two specialist papers and a dissertation.

Two papers are available within the forestry specialisation – Forest Utilisation and Forest Valuation. Forest Valuation was offered in 2003 and Forest Utilisation will be offered in 2004. Further details can be found at www.lincoln.ac.nz/profmast.