Applying:
Fill in the online application form available on the Evolution & Behaviour Moodle site by:
Friday 22nd Jan 2016 12.00 noon

Student comments.....

♦ “I learnt so much in such a short space of time and had a great time”

♦ “Definitely puts Evolution and Behaviour over the year, into context and will help with later revision and understanding ahead of the exams, the lectures were very helpful”

♦ “I learned a lot from this week and will come away with a new sense of wonder at the variety of the natural world, and want to know more”

Slapton Ley: 8th-15th April 2016
Orielton: 11th-18th March 2016
### Slapton Ley, Devon

**Dr Richard Preece (Zoology)**  
**Prof William Amos (Zoology)**

The course is based at the Slapton Ley Field Studies Centre on the coast eight mile east of Kingsbridge in South Devon. Several days will be spent in and around the Salcombe ‘Estuary’ which is a fully-marine, drowned river valley system, studied over many years by the Marine Biological Association. An exposed rocky shore outside the estuary will be examined in detail. The large freshwater lake at Slapton Ley itself will also be used, when tides are unsuitable for shore work, to increase the range of organisms seen.

The course will reinforce evolutionary themes brought up in the lecture course. We will examine the exceptionally rich intertidal fauna on shores near Slapton. We also plan to visit the Eden Project to study the enormous diversity of plants that grow in different biomes. We will help you revise your evolution lectures by comparing the features of various phyla found around Slapton. Talks will cover a broad range of general topics in ecology, behavior and evolution, as well as helping you hone your identification skills. Students will be able to undertake project work which they can present at the end of the week.

**Slapton Ley**  
8th - 15th April 2016  
20 places available

### Orielton, Pembrokeshire

**Dr David Aldridge (Zoology)**  
**Dr Sam Brockington (Plant Sciences)**

The course is based at the Orielton Field Centre (Field Studies Council), which provides both laboratory space and accommodation. Visits will be made to a number of the localities around Milford Haven and the Angle and Marloes peninsulas in South Pembrokeshire. The area is exceptionally rich in rocky, sandy and muddy shores, all of which contain a huge diversity of animals and plants. There is also a wealth of woodland, freshwaters, cliffs, sand-dunes and saltmarshes.

The aim of the course is for students to experience a wide diversity of living organisms and consider evolutionary processes in the field. Throughout the week, the structure and behavior of the plants and animals we see will be discussed from an evolutionary perspective. Daily visits will be made to intertidal, freshwater and terrestrial habitats. The organisms we see in the lab and field will be put into context during regular talks on important groups and on the evolutionary structure and dynamics of the community we experience. On the last two days, students will be encouraged to do short projects in pairs on any aspect of the course that has particularly fascinated them.

**Orielton**  
11th - 18th March 2016  
35 places available

### Cost: £50

Students will be expected to pay by Friday 29th January 2016

### Transport:

- Slapton: students must make their own way to Totnes station.
- Orielton: students must make their own way to Pembroke station.

### Clothing:

Please note that warm clothing and waterproofs will be needed on the course. Boots and waterproofs may be hired at the centre for a small fee.

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Places on both courses will be allocated by: **Monday 25th January 2016**, by ballot if oversubscribed.

### Further Information:

- Or  