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HONORS and AWARDS

Erin Petty (MS student, Water Resources) has been awarded a \$1,000 Grant-In-Aid of Research from Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, to cover analytical expenses related to her thesis. The funds will be used to send samples (pictured) to the UC Davis Stable Isotope Facility where they will be analyzed for stable carbon and nitrogen isotopes. Erin hopes to use the stable isotopes to take a closer look at the nutrient dynamics influencing algal blooms in Missouri lakes. (Submitted by **Rebecca North**.)



PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

Pierce, R.A. II, R. Kallenbach, T. Reinbott, R. Wright and **R. Udawatta**. 2017. Mixtures of native grasses, forbs and legumes for biomass, forage and wildlife benefits. <https://extension2.missouri.edu/G9423>

Pierce, R.A. II, R.L. Wright, **C.J. Gantzer**, T.M. Reinbott, **R. P. Udawatta** and R. Kallenbach. 2017. Using native warm season grass, forb and legume mixtures for biomass, livestock forage and wildlife benefits: a case study. <http://extension.missouri.edu/g9424>

EVENTS/MEETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fine-Tuning & Enhancing Your Resume

- Are you interested in taking your resume from 'good' to 'great'? If so, this workshop may be for you!
- Topics covered will include: Content development, skills identification, goal-setting, examples of effective resumes, incorporating study abroad on your resume, and much more!
- Advanced registration is required at <https://tinyurl.com/yb3rhwjq>

Thursday, January 25, 2018

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

2-43 Agriculture Building



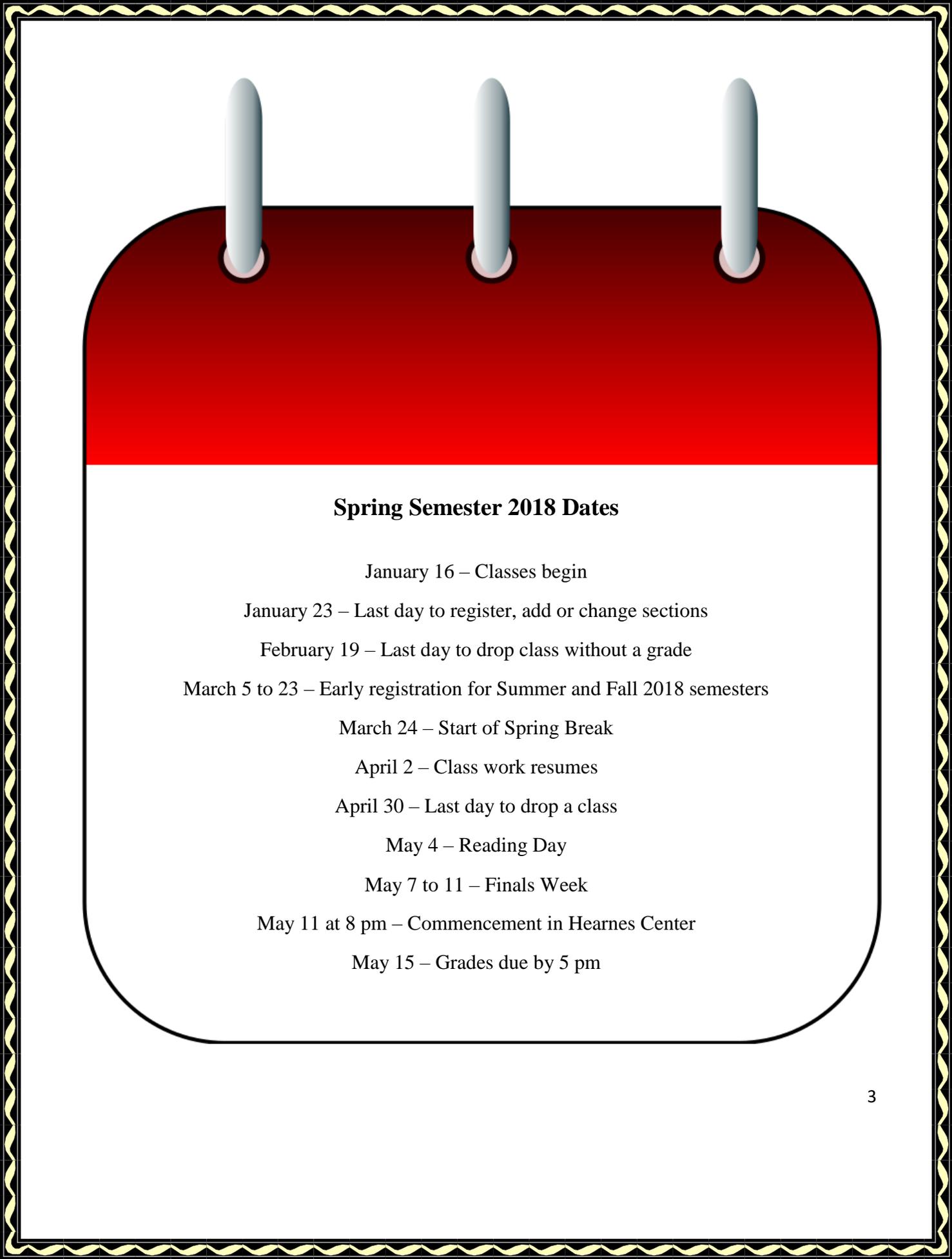
School of Natural Resources
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SNR and CAFNR Scholarships

Complete the MU Scholarship Application to qualify for SNR and CAFNR Scholarships.

You are also encouraged to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

The deadline to submit each application is February 1, 2018.



Spring Semester 2018 Dates

January 16 – Classes begin

January 23 – Last day to register, add or change sections

February 19 – Last day to drop class without a grade

March 5 to 23 – Early registration for Summer and Fall 2018 semesters

March 24 – Start of Spring Break

April 2 – Class work resumes

April 30 – Last day to drop a class

May 4 – Reading Day

May 7 to 11 – Finals Week

May 11 at 8 pm – Commencement in Hearnes Center

May 15 – Grades due by 5 pm

Fast growing seedling and genetics company promotes **Doug Sharp** to Chief Operating Officer and Chris Johnston to Vice President of Sales and Marketing. International Forest Company (IFCO) has announced the retirement of Wayne Bell as Chief Operating Officer, which will be effective December 31, 2017. Wayne has worked in the seedling business for over forty-five years and had a vital role in taking IFCO from a small seed sales and processing company to one of the largest seedling and genetics companies in the world. Wayne will serve as an Advisor to IFCO in 2018. Effective January 1, 2018, Douglas J. (Doug) Sharp, who joined IFCO in June, 2016 as Business Development Manager, will replace Wayne Bell as COO to further the IFCO's growing forest regeneration business. Doug received his B.S. in Forestry from the University of Missouri in 1982. He is married to **Ruth Crownover Sharp** who received her B.S. and M.S. in Forestry from the University of Missouri. Doug came to IFCO with over 34 years of experience within the nursery and orchard industry where he spent the last 21 years with Plum Creek leading their Forest Regeneration Group. At Plum Creek, Doug was responsible for Plum Creek's five forest nurseries in the Southeast U.S. and Oregon, three large seed orchard complexes, and all of the company's reforestation efforts in the U.S. Prior to his tenure at Plum Creek, Doug managed forest nursery and orchard operations for Georgia-Pacific, Jefferson Smurfit, and International Paper. Chris Johnston, who joined IFCO in 2012 in sales and in 2014 was promoted to Sales Manager, is now being promoted to Vice President of Sales and Marketing effective January 1, 2018. Prior to Chris joining IFCO, he was involved in hardwood and pine procurement in Southwest Georgia for over 20 years. Chris and his Genetic Investment Advisory team are responsible for all of the sales of IFCO seedlings across the Southeastern U.S. Chris has extensive knowledge of sales management, procurement and operational forestry across the South. International Forest Company (IFCO) (www.internationalforest.co) has an aggressive growth history and is the fastest growing forest regeneration company in the United States. International Forest Company is the largest grower of container seedlings in the Southeastern U.S. and the second largest grower of bareroot seedlings in the U.S. with nursery capacity of 250 million seedlings annually. IFCO produces many forest species including loblolly, longleaf, slash, and shortleaf, as well as wiregrass seedlings. IFCO is a privately-owned company headquartered in Moultrie, Georgia. IFCO's container nurseries are located in Moultrie, Georgia, DeRidder, Louisiana, LaBelle, Florida and Washington, North Carolina. IFCO also operates four bareroot forest nurseries located in Jesup, Georgia, Washington, North Carolina, Camden, Louisiana, and Shubuta, Mississippi. IFCO has numerous seed orchard complexes in several states in the Southeastern U.S. IFCO's goal is to be the premier forest seedling provider in the southern United States. **Contacts:** IFCO; Doug Sharp, COO; Dsharp@internationalforest.co; Chris Johnston, VP of Sales and Marketing; Cjohnston@internationalforest.co; PH: 800-633-4506. (Submitted by Doug Sharp.)

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