PRIZES AND AWARDED GRANTS
Three employees are recognised for their zealous and devoted service
Cecilia Lönnqvist (finance officer at the Department of Biology), Bozena Wlosinska (finance officer at the Department of Physics) and Carina Rasmussen (first laboratory assistant at the Department of Biology) have received the award for zealous and devoted public service.

APPLY FOR GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Nominate candidates for the Oscar II Scholarship
The Oscar II Scholarship is annually awarded to the authors of the best doctoral theses at each Lund University faculty. Eligible candidates must have defended their theses within the last two years, be under 40, and not hold a permanent position. To nominate candidates, please contact your head of department. Each head of department may nominate one candidate to the faculty management, no later than 28 March.

Apply for funding from the Per-Eric and Ulla Schyberg Foundation
Junior researchers at Lund University can now apply for funding from the Per-Eric and Ulla Schyberg Foundation. The application deadline is 29 March at 15:00.
More information

Apply for the Distinguished Professor Grant
The Swedish Research Council has issued a call for applications for the Distinguished Professor Grant. Applications from Lund University are coordinated by Research Services, as the application requires a letter from the vice-chancellor, among other things. For more information, please contact brita.larsson@fs.lu.se. Your application must be received by Research Services no later than 14 March at 09:00.
More information

Apply for a writer’s scholarship for natural scientists
The Hasselblad Foundation is offering two writer’s scholarships for natural scientists. The scholarships provide successful applicants with the opportunity to concentrate on a written assignment in either Jonsered, Sweden in May, or in Grez-sur-Loing, France in November–December. The application deadline is 1 March.
Read more and apply

WHAT’S ON
Apply for the Bioeconomy graduate school
Doctoral students can now apply for the interdisciplinary graduate school in bioeconomy. The application deadline is 27 March.

**Seminar on gender equality, 2 March**
The faculty’s gender equality groups invite you all to a seminar entitled “The ‘Problematic Gender Equality’ – on gender, power and possibilities for change”. Time and place: 2 March, 13:00–16:00 in Pangea, Geocentrum II, Sölvegatan 12. The registration deadline is 27 February.

**Science week: Is the world becoming a better place?, 6–12 March**
Lund University's first science week is about to begin. The theme is “Is the world becoming a better place?” The event is part of the University's 350th anniversary celebration. Time and place: 6–12 March, in different locations all over the University.

**Workshop to prepare grant applications to the Swedish Research Council, 8 March**
Are you planning to apply for funding from the Swedish Research Council this year? Future Faculty, WINGS, and the Careers Centre at the Faculty of Medicine are organising a workshop where you can receive feedback on your application. Time and place: 8 March, 13:15–16:00 in Belfrangesalen, BMC, Klinikgatan 32. The registration deadline is today, 23 February.

**Meeting in preparation for applying to Formas, 8 March**
Formas and Research Services at Lund University are organising an information meeting for those of you who intend to apply for funding from Formas this year. Time and place: 8 March, 13:15–16:00 in the main auditorium in LUX, Helgonavägen 3. The registration deadline is 5 March.

**International staff training week, 24–28 April**
Staff who teach on study programmes in English are invited to participate in the “International staff training week”, 24–28 April in Kaunas, Lithuania. You are expected to cover your own travel and hotel expenses, or use Erasmus+ funding. The registration deadline is 1 March.

**THESES OF THE MONTH**
**Theses of the month in science**
In February, seven new theses are presented at the Faculty of Science. They are about the entanglement of electron couples in quantum dots, semiconductor nanosized components, regional land surface changes, methane and carbon dioxide flows in the Arctic tundra, uptake of contrast agents in the cartilage, new methods for better results within a few quantitative MRI techniques, and analysis of experiments based the proton-proton collisions. The doctoral students are Ognjen Malkoc, Olof Persson, Minchao Wu, Norbert Pirk, Jenny Algotsson, André Ahlgren and Oleksandr Viazlo.
STAFF IN THE SWEDISH MEDIA

Electric shocks provide tastier basil
Professor Allan Rasmusson at the Department of Biology was interviewed by several media outlets about his new research that shows how dried basil both smells and tastes better if the leaves are subjected to electric shock before they are dried.

The oxygen content increased when the Earth was an ice planet
Professor Ulf Söderlund at the Department of Geology was interviewed about a new study showing how the oxygen content in the air increased approximately 2.4 billion years ago. At that time, the Earth was an ice planet with extensive volcanic activity and all landmass was gathered in one supercontinent. “With these new results, we have now achieved international consensus on when these events affected our planet”, he says.

You can trust climate researchers
Researcher Johan Hollander at the Department of Biology was interviewed about his new study of scientific articles in the area of climate research between 1997 and 2013. The study shows that climate researchers can be trusted – they do not hide inconvenient facts that could disprove climate change. “I hope that the results of our study convince sceptics that climate change is a reality and that the measures identified in the climate change debate are taken seriously”, he says.

Articles in LUM
In the latest issue of LUM, Margareta Johansson (research coordinator at the Department of Physical Geography and Ecosystem Science) talks about the research project called “Interact” and the major grant she received to coordinate the project. Helena Filipsson (professor at the Department of Geology) has written an opinion piece on how Lund University can improve the conditions for junior researchers. Bengt Forkman and Kristina Holmin Verdozzi (professor emeritus and librarian, respectively, at the Department of Physics) were interviewed about the book “Fysik i Lund – i tid och rum” (Physics in Lund – in time and space). In addition, Dean Olov Sterner comments on the research bill.

Chemist interviewed about love
Professor Ulf Ellervik at the Department of Chemistry was interviewed about the chemistry of love on the occasion of Valentine’s Day.

Geologist talks about dinosaurs
Doctoral student Elisabeth Einarsson at the Department of Geology was interviewed on occasion of her talk in Broby about dinosaurs.

Climate change may benefit sea turtles
Senior lecturer Jessica Abbott at the Department of Biology was interviewed by Sveriges Radio about new research showing that a warmer climate might benefit sea turtles.
To eat like a bird
Professor Anders Brodin at the Department of Biology has written an article on what it means to eat like a bird. The article is published in Forskning & Framsteg.

Astronomer talks about the Milky Way
Doctoral student Karl Wahlberg Jansson at the Department of Astronomy and Theoretical Physics is mentioned in Kristianstadsbladet on occasion of his lecture at the library in Tollarp.

Biologist interviewed about kissing
Senior lecturer Jessica Abbott at the Department of Biology was interviewed about the history of the kiss in an article published on forskning.se.

Professor talks about bird research
Professor Anders Brodin at the Department of Biology was interviewed by Sveriges Radio about his research on the great tit bird.

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