

Student Naturalist Award Scheme

There are four categories of activities for you to take part in. Please ensure that recorded activities come from at least two of the categories below in total. Activities are accumulative for each tier, so they carry over. Please submit a copy of this sheet when each tier is reached.

Tiers of achievement:

Academic Associate - 10 activities

Academic Supporter - 20 activities

Academic Ambassador - 30 activities

Useful links:

Sign-up to NHSN's e-news: <http://eepurl.com/ds-6X1>

About us: <https://www.nhsn.org.uk/about-us/>

Become a member: <https://www.nhsn.org.uk/become-a-member/>

On reaching each tier of NHSN's Student Award Scheme, you'll receive a certificate as proof of your achievement.



Gosforth Nature Reserve category			
Activity	How to record	Further Information	Activity log (Please record the date, length and if relevant, title of the activity/event you attended)
Assist with a GNR Open Day	Volunteer sign-in sheet	Keep an eye on your NHSN e-news	
Practical conservation work (<i>min. 3 hours</i>)	Volunteer sign-in sheet	Keep an eye on your NHSN e-news	
Wildlife Monitoring via iRecord (<i>worth one activity per five sightings</i>)	Volunteer sign-in sheet	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/wildlife-monitoring-volunteer/	

Volunteer GNR Ranging <i>(min. 3 hours)</i>	Volunteer sign-in sheet	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/volunteer-ranger/	
Volunteer Education Ranging <i>(min. 3 hours)</i>	Volunteer sign-in sheet	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/education-ranger/	
Conduct a research project/dissertation on site <i>(worth five activities)</i>	Arrangements with James Common, Engagement Officer	Contact jamesc.common@newcastle.ac.uk	

NHSN General category			
Activity	How to record	Further Information	Activity log (Please record the date, length and if relevant, title of the activity/event you attended)
Join NHSN as a student member	Receipt of payment	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/become-a-member/	
Give a student 1829 talk <i>(worth three activities)</i>	Arrangements with James Common, Engagement Officer	Contact nhsn@ncl.ac.uk https://www.nhsn.org.uk/nhsn-talks/	
Submit a blog to NHSN <i>(worth two activities)</i>	Arrangements with James Common, Engagement Officer	Contact nhsn@ncl.ac.uk Blog examples: https://www.nhsn.org.uk/category/invertebrates-in-the-north-east/	

Educational Opportunities category			
Activity	How to record	Further Information	Activity log (Please record the date, length and if relevant, title of the activity/event you attended)
Attend an NHSN event or field trip	Booking via Eventbrite	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/nhsn-events-31896059373	
Attend an NHSN education course	Booking via Eventbrite	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/nhsn-education-courses-17674789482	

<i>(worth one activity per session attended)</i>			
Attend/watch a student 1829 talk	Record date on your log of activity	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/nhsn-talks/	
Attend/watch an NHSN Friday night talk	Record date on your log of activity	https://www.nhsn.org.uk/nhsn-talks/	

Citizen Science category			
Activity	How to record	Further Information	Activity log (Please record the date, length and if relevant, title of the activity/event you attended)
Become a Citizen Science 'Student Ambassador'	Arrangements with James Common, Engagement Officer	Please email james.common@newcastle.ac.uk	
Submit sightings to NHSN projects (worth one activity per five sightings)	Sightings added to relevant iRecord activity	Please see https://www.nhsn.org.uk/citizen-science/	
Organise a recording event, walk or survey for fellow students (Worth three activities)	Arrangements with James Common, NHSN Engagement Officer	Please email james.common@newcastle.ac.uk	

If you have any questions about our Student Naturalist Award Scheme, would like more information on an upcoming activity or simply wish to chat through your progress, please email James Common, NHSN Engagement Officer, at james.common@newcastle.ac.uk.

From surveys in search of ladybirds and bees, to community events and articles, new opportunities with NHSN are emerging all the time. Please keep an eye on emails from us for new opportunities not mentioned above.

