

# POSTGRADUATE STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNER

## LINDA DÄMMER (MSc. Environmental Sciences)



Some quotes about the 2015 winner...

"Linda made the whole year of my masters so much more bearable.

Not only has she shown extraordinary leadership skills and demonstrated her passion for environmental science, she helped everyone in the masters programme in any possible way she could. On several occasions Linda provided much needed entertainment with her witty German humour and also created a very pleasant environment as her role of class rep."

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"She is an inspiration, to say the least."

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"Linda has always been assertive and organised throughout the college year. She has never shied away from speaking up about issues the class faced and is an excellent communicator. She (...) has been a solid representative for our class, and for that I think she deserves this award."

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"Linda is our class representative, she has been tireless in communicating any issues that have been important to us over the last year. She has been the main connector between students and teaching staff, keeping us regularly updated with any issues affecting us. She has raised any concerns we have had with class times, grades and any personal issues we may have with the course. It was very reassuring to have someone so dedicated to this role in our class. It would be nice to see her get recognition for her kindness over the last year."

*"I'm Linda, I'm queer and I'm the class representative of this year's MSc Environmental Sciences class. Being the class rep is a great experience even if it is a little stressful once in a while. I could not have wished for a better class, we acted as a team almost perfectly from the very first day and I really enjoyed being part of this. Before coming to Trinity I have completed my BSc degree in Geosciences at the University of Bonn, Germany, where I mainly focused on palaeontology and geochemistry. I have now completed all the taught modules of my MSc programme and am currently preparing my dissertation, which will be on geochemistry of Indian granite samples and the onset of tectonic processes during the Archean. I'm hoping to find a PhD position afterwards to start a career as a researcher, maybe as a palaeoclimatologist."*