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Campylopus introflexus. Photo Martin Godfrey

Heathland Bryophytes

***A day course on the mosses and liverworts of heathland
with Martin Godfrey***

***Wednesday, 9th November, 2016
The Gateway, Shrewsbury***

Heathland Bryophytes

Where: The Gateway, Chester Street, Shrewsbury

When : Wednesday 9th November 2016, 10.00am – 4.00pm

How much: £45.00

Mosses and Liverworts are traditionally seen as a difficult group of plants to identify as they are small, have no flowers, and can look quite similar. They belong to three different phyla - Marchantiophyta, or Liverworts, Bryophyta, or Mosses and the Anthocerotophyta, or Hornworts, - which share a common life cycle. They are abundant, if sometimes obscure, in many habitats and some Genera, such as Sphagnum, or Bog Moss, are excellent ecological indicators. This makes it important to identify them to species, especially as many of them are rare or scarce and several species form important community constants in the National Vegetation Classification.


This one-day workshop will provide an introduction to this diverse group based on common species to be found in heaths and related vegetation. We will examine a variety of fresh material to illustrate the different types and structures and will demonstrate ways of collecting and preserving plants for further study. Please feel free to bring any ‘mystery specimens’ you may have.

At the end of the session, you should be familiar with the main features of mosses and liverworts and the structures used separate out the species. You will also have an opportunity to dissect and examine specimens under the compound microscope.

Useful items to bring are a 10x or 20x handlens.

Prior booking is essential – please fill in the form opposite and return with your payment to the MMU office at the Gateway or visit the online store: <http://www.sste.mmu.ac.uk/recording> and go to the online store.

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