

# COURSE INFORMATION



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## **BSc (Hons) Animal Management and Wildlife Conservation Top-up**

<b>Subject:</b>	Animal Management
<b>Type:</b>	Bachelors Degree
<b>Course Code:</b>	LAA140C/HM1
<b>Attendance:</b>	Full Time
<b>Location:</b>	Cannington
<b>Awarding body:</b>	The Open University

### **Description**

This is an ideal programme for graduates of an animal or conservation based foundation degree or HND wishing to further their study to gain a full honours degree. This course concentrates on aspects of animal psychology, wildlife conservation and habitat monitoring. In addition, you will also undertake research in an area of your interest. This qualification provides graduates with the potential for employment in a range of animal management and conservation professions and aims to develop management skills and knowledge, alongside research techniques and evaluative thinking.

Modules could include:

- Dissertation
- Psychology of Animals: Captive, Companion and Wild
- Wildlife Conservation and Environmental Surveying
- British Wildlife and Rehabilitation of Animals
- Behavioural Management: Domestic and Zoological Animals (Option)
- Sustainability and Habitat Project Management (Option)

Find an example of the course handbook [here](#).

For more information about regulations and policies relevant to studying with the Open University please visit our [Wider Information Set](#) page.

Regulations for validated awards of The Open University and the Appendices can be found [here](#).

### **Teaching and Assessment**

The modules are either assessed via 100% coursework or a combination of coursework and formal examination.

Coursework could comprise of: written/practical reports, in-class tests, case studies, essays, vivas, oral presentations, posters, dissertation, which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

### **Progression Opportunities**

Successful completion of the Degree will provide you with the opportunity to progress to employment or further study in an agriculture/food-related subject.

This course will prepare you well for employment in the industry in positions such as a farm manager, rural surveyor, unit manager, farm contractor, senior herdsman or working within the management team of associated food industries

### **Career Progression**

The course could help you gain employment within an animal establishment, zoological collection, wildlife organisation or conservation body. In addition, upon successful completion of the BSc (Hons) Top-up, a Master's Degree or PhD could be an option. Graduates could progress to a MSc in Animal Behaviour or Primate/Wildlife/Zoo Conservation or Countryside Management.

### **Entry Requirements**

Typically entrants will possess:

- A complete Level 5 qualification with all modules at a pass or above e.g. FdSc or HND in a relevant topic.
- 5 GCSEs including English Language, Mathematics and Science at 9 to 4 grades or minimum of Grade COR
- Minimum 80 UCAS points in a vocational diploma qualification, e.g. BTEC (QCF) MMP (Extended), DM (90 Credit Diploma), or C&G Advanced Technical: M (1080), D (720), D\* (540)
- OR
- Access to HE Diploma in a relevant subject area.

### **Costs**

Are there any additional costs for the course?

- PPE is required for practical's: Steel toe-capped boots or wellingtons plus blue overalls are needed. They can be obtained from agricultural stores.
- Waterproof clothing, sensible walking boots, binoculars and high visibility jackets may be required for working in external environments.
- Textbooks will be recommended to support learning at the start of each module.
- Optional trips and visits offered will incur additional costs.

### **Who to contact with your questions**

- For application enquiries please contact our Course Enquiries Team on 01278 441234 or email [enquiries@btc.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@btc.ac.uk).