

COURSE INFORMATION



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Part of Bridgwater & Taunton College

Wildlife Conservation Level 4 Professional Certificate

Subject:	Animal Management
Type:	Level 5 Certificate
Course Code:	LAA142C/HM1
Attendance:	Part Time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	The Open University

Description

The Professional Certificate consists of 60 credits that can be selected from a specific combination of three 20 credit modules within the BSc (Hons) Animal Management and Wildlife Conservation programme offered at our Cannington campus.

This Level 4 award has been developed as a broad-based short programme to attract learners who would like to study wildlife conservation theory and practical competencies that would be primarily for their own interest and education. The programme would also enable learners who have busy lifestyles or who are engaged in industry to undertake higher learning in a manageable format. In addition, the programme can prepare learners for further higher study and/or employment.

There are two 15 week semesters over the academic year. You would select THREE modules from the potential options. Each module is studied in a specific semester with a half day attendance. External research work and assessments are set to be completed outside of college.

Modules that could be offered are:

- Introduction to Ecological Principles and Habitat Management
- Management and Conservation of Mammals
- Ecotourism and Visitor Management
- Field and Behavioural Monitoring Techniques
- Practical Conservation Skills
- Management and Conservation of Captive and Wild Exotics
- Evolution and Behavioural Ecology
- Film and Media: Animals in Action

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, project, which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

Progression Opportunities

Progression on to the Level 4 of the FD or BSc (Hons) qualifications is possible after successfully completing the Professional Certificate award or you could undertake further study at another university.

Entry Requirements

- The nature of this study requires GCSE grade 9 to 4 or A* to C in English language and mathematics or equivalent qualification(s).
- Potential learners will be expected to attend an interview to discuss their current skills and potential module selection.
- Applicants with English as their second language must have a minimum IELTS Level 6 or equivalent.