

T Level in Animal Care and Management (Animal Management and Behaviour)



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Subject	Level	Study Mode	Duration	Start Date
Animal Management	Level 3	Full-Time	2 years	September 2026

Practical vs Theory



30% 70%

The Course

Are you looking to develop a career working in the animal industry? This T Level specialises in Animal Behaviour will give you the knowledge and skills you need to pursue a range of careers, from trainee zookeeper to dog handler. You will spend 70% of your time in the classroom and the other 30% undertaking practical activities, including hands-on experience at our Animal Management Centre and time spent in the workplace on industry placement.

Course Aims

- > To provide you with practical skills and knowledge-based learning with specialist components focused on Animal Behaviour.

What You Will Study

- > Health and Safety
- > Sustainability
- > Biosecurity
- > Supply chain
- > Anatomy and physiology
- > Animal Health
- > Animal Biology
- > Classification
- > Health and Diseases
- > Nutrition
- > Animal behaviour and communication
- > Animal Training
- > Accommodation design, maintenance and enrichment
- > Animal welfare
- > Handling and restraint
- > Ethics
- > Conservation
- > Customer service

Entry Requirements

You will need five GCSEs at grade 5 or above. These must include English, Maths and Science (Double Award).

Teaching and Learning Approach

You will learn through a mixture of classroom and practical sessions, as well as meaningful industry placements.

Time Required on Campus

You will usually be on campus four days per week and will also spend time on industry placements.

Work Experience

You will spend a minimum of 315 on placement gaining meaningful industry experience.

How You're Assessed

You will be assessed through exams and assignment work.

Clothing, Equipment and Additional Costs

- > Folder with dividers to organise your work and assignments
- > Stationery including notepad for use in class, pens and pencils
- > College-branded blue kennel coat
- > Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) including steel toe capped footwear (boots, shoes, or wellies)
- > Waterproof outdoor clothing and footwear

Progression

This T Level will allow you to gain UCAS points to apply to university, as well as giving you the knowledge to enter straight into employment should you wish.

Careers

Upon completion of this T Level, you will be able to explore careers such as: Animal care assistant Animal behaviourist/trainer Animal welfare/rescue assistant Dog walker/pet sitter Trainee zookeeper Trainee veterinary nurse Dog handler