

BSc (Hons) Animal Behaviour and Welfare (Level 6 entry)

UCAS Code: D316

Award on completion of programme: BSc (Hons) Animal Behaviour and Welfare

Professional body accreditation: None

Location of study: Hartpury University.

Length of programme: One year full time. Part-time options are available.

Language of the programme: This programme is taught in English.

Entry Requirements:

General: HND or Foundation Degree in an animal science subject area (with animal behaviour content).

Mature and international applicants: Mature and international applicants are welcomed. Mature applicants that are not applying for a programme straight from formal education will be expected to demonstrate suitability for the course. In the case of international applications, we will attempt to establish the equivalency of qualifications and the same criteria and assessment is used as for home students. An IELTS English qualification is expected for international applicants without a GCSE Grade C or above (or 9 to 4 where numeric grades are being awarded) in English Language.

Personalised offers will be made to each applicant based on their own merits. Non-academic and academic achievement will be considered.

Timetables:

Both full-time and part-time students on the programme will start in September 2020. This programme is taught over two semesters, (each normally consisting of 12 weeks of scheduled teaching and then assessment weeks). The academic calendar can be found at: <https://www.hartpury.ac.uk/uni-termdates> During scheduled teaching you will have a day without timetabled sessions to support you in managing your workload, gaining valuable volunteering and work experience and completing part-time work. Timetables are normally available during registration. Please note that while we make every effort to ensure that timetables are as student-friendly as possible, scheduled teaching can take place at any time between 8:30 to 20:30 Monday to Friday, although Wednesday afternoons are normally reserved for sports and cultural activities. Part-time students should be advised that as their route is dependent on the full-time course's timetable there is the possibility depending on the modules chosen that the student could be required to attend five days a week.

Programme Composition:

This programme is comprised of different modules, which focus on specific subjects. The modular structure of the programme gives you flexibility and choice and you can attend introductory sessions for optional modules before having to finally decide which ones you wish to study. We usually offer all optional modules available to students however if we believe that we are unable to offer a high quality student experience (which can be particularly affected by low student demand) then we may make the

decision not to offer it. If an optional module will not be run, we will advise you as soon as possible and help you choose an alternative module. Our teaching is informed by research, and modules change periodically to reflect developments in the discipline. These changes are informed by both industry and student consultation.

On completion and passing these modules you gain academic credit that accumulates towards your award. The marks you gain for these modules may contribute towards your overall award mark and outcome, as explained in the Hartpury University Academic Regulations. The modules contain a mixture of scheduled learning and independent learning.

	Scheduled Contact Learning (%)	Placement Learning (%)	Independent Learning (%)
Stage 3	20	0	80

Some modules offer trips to locations such as zoos or assistance animal breeding centres to show students how their knowledge can be applied within the animal industry. Some modules may bring in guest lecturers to provide topical and industry-relevant talks.

Compulsory Modules:

- Investigative Skills for the Successful Undergraduate
This module prepares students for undertaking a research project.
- Applied Research Project
This module involves independent research and analysis in an animal-related field with one to one support from an academic.
- Animal Trade and Welfare
The influence of the marketplace on animal welfare including commercial use of wildlife, animals as entertainment and transport of animals.

Optional modules: Students usually select from a range of optional modules. As a guide, these have previously included subjects that include the management of wildlife and zoos, anthrozoology, animal psychology, biodiversity and conservation, and pet behaviour counselling.

Assessment Method:

You will be assessed through a mixture of written exams, practical exams and coursework. Many of the modules will be marked based on a mixture of assessment types, whilst others will be based solely on one type of assessment.

	Written Examination (%)	Coursework (%)	Practical Examination (%)
Stage 3	39	55	6

Discounts and special support associated with enrolling on the programme:

Hartpury also subsidises optional short courses for a reduced cost that give students the opportunity to gain relevant experience and qualifications prior to graduation. These are in addition to the discounts Hartpury usually offers to its students, such as free Wi-Fi on site and Microsoft Office packages etc. There is lots of support available to you whilst you study including allocation of a personal academic tutor that you will meet for 1:1 sessions and other services detailed at <http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/university/facilities/life-at-hartpury/student-support>

Costs associated with the programme:

The cost of the programme will be £9250 per year for UK and EU students subject to government approval. We will only increase our fees in accordance with guidelines laid down by the Office for Students (OfS).

Students are required to have appropriate clothing and footwear which may be purchased if desired from our supplier’s online shop for approximately £100. Students are encouraged to engage in various trips and visits as part of the programme. While many of these are included in the course fees, there is the

opportunity to engage in additional study tours with additional costs involved. In the final year of the course there is an optional residential trip to a UK zoo, as part of the Wildlife and Zoo Management module. This residential trip will incur an additional cost around £150. A comprehensive package of non-repayable financial support is available to facilitate engagement with placements and study tours / trips where additional costs are involved.

For part-time costs and information about financial support please refer to the Hartpury Fee policy:
<http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/about-us/governance-and-policies/governance-and-policies/>

For more information on the admissions policy, please visit:
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