

HNC Animal Management (Behaviour & Welfare)



Course Overview

In year one you will complete a Higher National Certificate in Animal Management (Behaviour and Welfare) at Level 4.

On completion of your Higher National Certificate, you will complete a Higher National Diploma in Animal Management (Behaviour and Welfare) at Level 5.

The course structure has been selected to provide a relevant learning environment and opportunities to meet the needs of local and regional students. It has been designed to either enable learners to progress to a related degree programme or to make a direct entry to employment through the acquisition of practical skills and relevant underpinning knowledge. These skills will be put to the test during a variety of visits, work placements and trips including residential in both the UK and Europe.

You will learn through:

- Lectures
- Practical work in animal units
- Field trips
- Tutor led tutorials
- Laboratory work
- External visits
- Independent learning, study and research

What You Will Study

- Animal Health and Welfare
- Business and the Business Environment
- Managing a Successful Project
- Animal Behaviour in Society
- Animal Husbandry
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- British Wildlife
- Ecological Principles

Attendance Expectations

In class sessions and independent study on a weekly basis.

START DATE	LEVEL
September 2026	Level 4
STUDY MODE	DURATION
Full-time	1 year
AWARDING BODY	LOCATION
Pearson BTEC	Wakefield College



For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk.

To learn more about Wakefield College, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk.

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How You Will Be Assessed

- Essays and reports
- Exams
- Laboratory reports
- Observations
- Presentations
- Practical work and tests
- Reflective accounts and critical analysis
- Research projects
- Time constrained assignments

Entry Requirements

64 UCAS points

OR

BTEC Level 3 qualification in Animal Management

OR

A Levels that demonstrate strong academic performance

OR

Other related Level 3 qualifications

OR

Access to Higher Education Diploma

AND

This should be supported by GCSEs at Grade 9-4 (or equivalent) in English, Maths and Science.

Related work experience in the land-based sector and mature students will be considered following interview.

Fee Information

£7,400.

Further Study

Progression to HND Animal Management (Behaviour and Welfare), which can be studied at Wakefield College.