



ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR



Certificate in Animal Behaviour

Start your career in Animal Care by understanding Animal Behaviour

Understanding animal behaviour is fundamental for people aiming to have a career in animal care – veterinarians, animal psychologists, rangers in wildlife parks and nature reserves, animal trainers, farmers, and even pet owners who have a strong interest in animals.

This online course explores the different theories and models of animal behaviours in different animal groups and environments. Learn about specific aspects of animal behaviour such as intelligence, aggression, dominance, cooperation, mating, hierarchies and more. Take the first step to realising your dream as an animal care professional with this course.

Did you know?

With the ability to work anywhere in Australia, all you need is a qualification and some work experience. The animal care industry is expected to grow by 9000 over the next 5 years.



ABOUT US

Courses4me is a new age online education company, with decades of experience in both the public and private education space. Our founders have a combined 27 years' experience in education and training and have come together to provide quality and affordable education for everyone that is looking to upskill.

Our network of partners and education providers now spreads across Australia, New Zealand and the UK. We offer hundreds of courses in a vast array of industries. From an introductory certificate to advanced courses and bespoke programs, students will receive the recognition, skills and industry insights to hit the ground running with confidence.

Endorsement

Courses4me has established a high level of respect in academic circles within a range of disciplines in Australia and beyond.

The courses are fully endorsed by The International Approval and Registration Centre (IARC) – a dynamic, non-profit association with head quarter and administration centre in Queensland, Australia.



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COURSE OVERVIEW



Duration / Study Method

The course will take approximately 200 hrs to complete.

The course is done completely online in your own time and from the comfort of your home. We offer self-paced learning and direct tutor support for each individual student.



Payment Methods

Course Fee: \$2,600 + GST

Pay for the course upfront and receive a discount or set up an interest free payment plan today from only \$25 per week.



Assessments

Includes case studies, quizzes and written assessments, that are marked with personalised feedback.

Problem based learning projects working one on one with your tutor.



Support

All students have unlimited access to their very own professional tutor over the phone or via email.





CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

By earning this certificate, learners can confidently seek rewarding employment in various organisations, either as a/an:

- ✓ Vet Assistant
- ✓ Animal Control Officer
- ✓ Animal Trainer
- ✓ Wildlife Rehabilitator



NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE OR
CERTIFICATION NEEDED



FLEXIBLE PAYMENT PLAN
(FROM \$25 PER WEEK)



LEARN ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR
ONLINE – ANYWHERE ANYTIME



Core modules

1 Introduction: Influences and Motivation

- What is behaviour?
- Causes of behaviour (e.g., genetics, learning, external and internal influences)
- Reactive, active and cognitive behaviour
- Conditioning

2 Genetics and Behaviour

- Understanding biology
- Natural selection
- Genetic variation
- Development of behaviour
- Behavioural genetics

3 Animal Perception and Behaviour

- How animals perceive things
- What stimulates them and how do those stimuli function
- Instinct
- Neural control
- Sensory processes, sight, sound, hearing, etc.



4 Behaviour and the Environment

- Coordination
- Orientation
- Homeostasis
- Acclimatisation
- Circadian rhythms
- Biological clocks
- Reproductive cycles, etc.

5 Social Behaviour

- Animal societies
- Aggression
- Social constraints
- Social order
- Play
- Biological clocks
- Communication

6 Learning

- Instinct and learning
- Conditioning and learning
- Extinction and habituation
- Instrumental learning
- Reinforcement
- Operant behaviour
- Biological and cognitive aspects of learning

7 Handling Animals

- Psychological effects of different handling techniques
- Training animals (horses, cats, dogs, etc.)
- The student has a choice of which types of animals to focus on, though a variety will still be covered

8 Behavioural Problems

- Abnormal behaviour (e.g., psychotic, neurotic)
- Domestication of animals
- Reducing human contact
- Reducing human dependence

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