

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY BTEC (Level 1/Level 2 First Award)

Thinking of working with animals and enjoy working within an agricultural setting?

This course could be the one for you. Discover what it's about here...

The course covers four units all focused on developing your understanding of animal care and putting new skills into practice. The course will be enriched with agricultural experiences and skills throughout the two years. A variety of visits will happen throughout the course to help apply and develop skills and knowledge in a practical environment.

Units	Assessment
<p>Unit 1: Animal Health</p> <p>Have you ever wondered why the vaccination of companion animals is so important?</p> <p>Have you ever wondered how ill health in animals can be spotted?</p> <p>Having an understanding of animal health is a vital part of working with animals in any field of the animal care sector. This unit will develop your knowledge and understanding of animal health, disease and parasite prevention, and how these link together. If you choose to work with animals, this unit will provide you with a sound basic knowledge to provide the best possible care for animals.</p>	<p>(Exam unit 25%)</p> <p>This unit is assessed externally using a paper-based exam.</p>
<p>Unit 2: Animal Handling</p> <p>Safe animal handling is a daily activity when dealing with animals. There are many different techniques used to handle and restrain animals in a commercial setting while also maintaining the animals' welfare and safety. This unit will help you become competent in handling and restraining small animals, large animals, exotic animals and reptiles.</p>	<p>(Written report and practical evidence 25%)</p> <p>This assignment is assessed through a comprehensive written report by the students that is marked internally and moderated externally.</p>
<p>Unit 3: Animal Welfare</p> <p>Knowledge of animal welfare is vital for anyone planning to work within the animal care sector. In this unit, you will gain an understanding of animal welfare, the purposes of working with animals and the responsibilities of animal owners. You will also learn how animal-related organisations promote good animal welfare and responsible animal ownership.</p>	<p>(Written report 25%)</p> <p>This assignment is assessed through a comprehensive written report by the students that is marked internally and moderated externally.</p>
<p>Unit 4: Principles of Animal Behaviour</p> <p>In this unit, you will learn about the normal behaviour that we expect to see in animals, as well as abnormal behaviours that may be caused by an animal's environment. Knowing that certain behaviours are abnormal will alert the animal's keeper to the fact that something is wrong.</p> <p>Students will learn first-hand how to effectively observe animal behaviour. These observational skills will be useful in many careers in the animal care sector, when knowing how to observe an animal's behaviour allows you to make better decisions about its welfare.</p>	<p>(Written report and practical evidence 25%)</p> <p>This assignment is assessed through a comprehensive written report by the students that is marked internally and moderated externally.</p>

