

This course is aimed at students who do not already have many or any formal qualifications. You will gain skills in handling and caring for animals as well as developing the skills needed for work with animals or further study in animal care. You will also have the opportunity to develop your horticulture skills, both in the college's greenhouses and off-site.

### **COURSE DETAILS**

This course is designed to engage young people in learning which is relevant to them and provide them with opportunities to develop a range of skills and techniques. Employability skills are developed through carrying out practical activities in the animal care and horticulture context.

## **ENTRY GUIDELINES**

This is a study programme for students 16-18 years.

There are no formal entry qualifications.

Students need to be able to demonstrate that they are interested in caring for animals.

Satisfactory interview, assessment and school report or reference.

If English is not your first language, you may need an assessment before enrolling on this course. To discuss further, please contact the ESOL department on 0151 551 7144.

# **EQUIPMENT REQUIRED**

To learn effectively on your course you will need to use certain items of equipment and undertake particular activities as part of your studies. To further enhance your learning experience the following will be required:Personal Protective Equipment £30Educational Visits £50If you need support with these costs, don't worry, click on the link below and complete a bursary application form. <a href="https://www.wmc.ac.uk/student-support/financial-support/bursaries-loans">https://www.wmc.ac.uk/student-support/financial-support/bursaries-loans</a> Equipment purchased will be yours to keep and you will be able to use them for practice at home and in your future career. N.B. prices correct as of 23/06/2021

#### **ASSESSMENT METHOD**

Students will compile a portfolio of evidence throughout the year to demonstrate the skills they have developed. Assessment will mainly be via tutor observation of practical activities and the completion of short pieces of written work.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Are you aged 16-18?

**Study programmes** are full-time courses for 16-18 year olds which include:

- A qualification such as BTEC Extended Diploma
- Meaningful work experience or preparation for work
- English and maths, if you don't already have GCSE grade 9-4 (A\*-C) in English and maths (Grade 4 or above)
- Non-study activities such as tutorials, voluntary work, fund-raising/charity work, sport or trips

# WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

Level 1 in Animal Management and Wildlife Ecology.

Explore potential careers via <u>Career Match</u> — it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.

You could progress to these Wirral Met courses:

S119 - Animal Management and Wildlife Ecology

# WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

CAMPUS	ATTENDANCE	COURSE CODE	PLANNED TIME TABLE
	Full Time	S207P001	

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#### If you are aged 16-18:

This study programme will be FREE for most students who are aged 16-18 on 31 August, or students aged 19-24 with an Education, Health & Care Plan.

#### If you are aged 19 or over:

Fee: £795.00

The fee quoted is for the academic year 23/24.

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our online enquiry form

This information was current on 25th April, 2024 and may be subject to change.