

# CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL WELFARE



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## Certificate in Animal Welfare

# Learn about Animal Welfare

Do you have a passion for helping animals in need?

Back up your love of animals with a qualification and take that first step towards a career in the care and welfare of animals. Having a knowledge of animal welfare will better equip you to convert your care and concern into a career. This is a solid introductory course that covers a wide range of Animal Welfare topics.

Animal protection and rescue organizations are largely aimed at dealing with issues relating to domestic pets. While there are still far too many cases of deliberate pet abuse, a large majority of pets suffering is not through intentional abuse. Many pet owners simply do not have the knowledge or resources to provide their pets with the care they need.

Animal welfare services provide several career opportunities for people wishing to make a positive difference in the welfare of pets ranging from 'on the ground' jobs such as Animal Welfare Inspectors or Rescue Officers to 'behind the scenes' jobs such as Marketing and Fundraising.

### Did you know?

Animal welfare is a critical issue because animals are sentient beings with the capacity to experience pain, pleasure, and emotions, and they deserve to be treated with respect and compassion.

# About Us

Courses4me is the leader in online education with decades of experience in both public and private education. Our founders have a combined 30 years of expertise in education and training and have joined forces to deliver high-quality, low-cost education to anyone wishing to advance their career.



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# Course Overview



## Duration / Study Method

The course will take approx. 200 hrs to complete. The course is done completely online and from the comfort of your home. We offer self-paced learning and direct tutor support for each individual student.



## Payment Methods

Pay for the course upfront for or set up a no deposit 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:

- Animal Rehabilitator
- Pet Sitter
- Dog Walker
- Animal Groomer
- Animal Technician Assistant
- Animal Carer
- Veterinary Assistant
- Community Educator
- Community Support Program Worker
- Retail e.g. Pet Store Attendant
- Volunteer

\* some career outcomes may require further training and/or qualifications



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# Core Modules

## Scope and Nature of Animal Welfare

- History
- Definitions
- Ethics
- Physical functioning
- Mental and cognitive functioning
- Naturalness
- Scope of animal welfare
- Moral status
- Indirect theories
- Direct Unequal theories
- Moral equity theories
- Ethical theory
- Kantian theory
- Virtue theory
- Humean theory
- Utilitarian theory
- Rights theory
- Capability theory
- Animal rights
- Arguments against animal rights
- Animal Welfare today
- Animal slavery
- Conservation and wildlife research
- Entertainment
- Animal testing and research
- Other significant global issues

## Psychology and Sentience

- ESentience
- Sapience
- Anthropomorphism and transference
- Compassionate conservation
- Sense and perception
- Cognition - attention, memory, spatial cognition, reasoning and insight
- Animal emotion - in primates, felines
- Animal psychopathology - depression, stress, eating disorders
- Activity anorexia
- Overeating, Under eating, weight loss, pica, coprophagia, thin sow syndrome
- Behavioral disorders
- Compulsive behavior
- Lick granuloma
- Stereotypies (Zoochosis)
- Sentience influence on behavior

# Core Modules

## Managing Animal Welfare

- Duty of care
- Assessing animal welfare
- Preventing disease and injury
- Health checks and observations
- Importance of nutrition
- Providing water
- Exercise and Stimulation
- Appropriate safe environment
- Controlling pest and disease
- Veterinary Prevention

## Animal Protection Services

- Protection organizations
- Types of protection activities
- Companion animals
- Protection of farm animals
- Wildlife
- Understanding Health Issues
- Pathogens - Viral, bacterial, fungal protozoa
- Parasites - ectoparasites, endoparasites
- Fleas, lice, ticks, mites, nematodes
- Genetic disorders
- Pet breeding
- Metabolic and nutritional disease
- Inspecting animal health condition
- Temperature, pulse, respiration
- Signs of ill health
- Differential diagnosis

## Animal Rescue Services

- Introduction
- Shelters
- Health and welfare
- Basic needs of animals
- Animal first aid - aims, types of wounds (cuts, punctures, tears), treatments
- Infection
- Blood loss
- Fly control
- Bone and joint problems - sprains, broken bones, bone infections, Nutritional Bone diseases
- Locations
- Tendon injury, Contusions, torn ligaments
- Poisoning - chemicals, grazing, and other
- Restraining animals during first aid
- First aid for wildlife

## Animal Health Services

- Animal health services
- Routine health treatments
- Vaccination debate
- Quarantine
- Euthenasia
- De-sexing
- Complimentary health services - homeopathy, naturopathy, tactile therapies, natural nutrition, acupuncture, etc
- Employment

# Core Modules

## Animal Welfare for Pets, Work Animals and Animals in Sport

- The welfare of companion animals
- Work animal welfare
- The welfare of animals in sport

## Animal Welfare for Farm Animals

- Farm animal welfare
- Intensive farming
- Pigs
- Cattle
- Poultry
- Organic farming
- Welfare during transport
- Animal slaughter
- Animal welfare labelling
- Welfare issues with animals bred for alternative products - down, wool, foie gras, etc

## Animal Welfare for Wildlife: Free and Captive

- Zoos and wildlife parks
- Circus animals
- Pet trade
- Free wild animals
- Habitat destruction
- Protecting from hunting and trapping
- The land and marine environments
- Legislation
- Codes of practice
- Animal behaviour
- Environmental law enforcement
- Case studies





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