

CORPORATE AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Basic Data						
Module Title	Ethics and Welfare					
Module Code	UINXSW-15-2		Level	2 Version 1.2		
Owning Faculty	Hartpury		Field	Animal and Land Science		
Contributes towards	FdSc Animal Behaviour and Welfare BSc (Hons) Animal Behaviour and Welfare FdSc Animal Science and Management BSc (Hons) Animal Science BSc (Hons) Animal Science (SW) BSc (Hons) Applied Animal Science BSc (Hons) Applied Animal Science BSc (Hons) Applied Animal Science (SW) FdSc Animal Management FdSc Animal Management (SW) FdSc Equine Management FdSc Equine Management (SW) MSci Animal Behaviour and Welfare					
UWE Credit Rating	15	ECTS Credit Rating	7.5	Module Type	Standard	
Pre-requisites	Introduction to Animal Welfare (UINXK9-15-1) OR Animal Behaviour and Welfare (UINV83-15-1)		Co-requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		Module Entry requirements	None		
Valid From	01 September 2016 V1.2- 01 September 2018		Valid to	01 September 2020		

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Part 2: Learning and Teaching					
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will be able to:				
	1 Evaluate the role that Animal Welfare and Animal Rights organisations play in improving animal welfare (A).				
	Debate the ways in which moral and ethical theories influence attitudes to animals (A, B).				
	Analyse the link between animal cognition and animal welfare (A).				
	Summarise and evaluate the arguments involved in current animal welfare debates including those concerning farm, zoo, wild and laboratory animals (A, B).				
	Assess the benefits, animal welfare costs and ethical dilemmas associated with animal use (A, B).				
Syllabus Outline	1 History of animal welfare and animal ethics.				

2 3 4 5 6	Work undertaken by various animal welfare organisations. Introduction to theories and concerns of animal welfare and welfare ethics. Different categories of sentience and their welfare and ethical implications. Deontology, contractarianism, utilitarianism, relationism and respect for nature. Animal cognition and the impact on animal welfare science.
7	Animal ethics and welfare in a range of contexts (including farm, zoo, laboratory, wild and companion).

Contact Hours	Indicative delivery	modes:			
		earning, seminars	etc	33 3 114 150	
Teaching and Learning Methods	Scheduled learning May include lectures, seminars, tutorials, project supervision, demonstration, practical classes and workshops; fieldwork; external visits; work based learning; supervised time in studio/workshop.				
	Independent learning May include hours engaged with essential reading, case study preparation, assignment preparation and completion etc.				
	Virtual learning environment (VLE) This specification is supported by a VLE where students will be able to find all necessary module information. Direct links to information sources will also be provided from within the VLE.				
Key Information Sets Information	Key Information Sets (KIS) are produced at programme level for all programmes that this module contributes to, which is a requirement set by HESA/HEFCE. KIS are comparable sets of standardised information about undergraduate courses allowing prospective students to compare and contrast between programmes they are interested in applying for.				
	Key information set – module data				
	Number of credits for this module 15				
	Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours
	150	36	114	0	150
	The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module whic constitutes a:				
	1 Written exam: Unseen written exam, open book written exam, in-class Coursework: Written assignment or essay, report, dissertation, portfol Practical exam: Oral assessment and/or presentation, practical skills practical exam.				portfolio, project.
	Please note that this is the total of various types of assessment and will not necessarily reflect the component and module weightings in the assessment section of this module description:				
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Reading Strategy

Core readings

Any essential reading will be indicated clearly, along with the method for accessing it, e.g. students may be required to purchase a set text, be given a print study pack or be referred to texts that are available electronically or in the Library. Module guides will also reflect the range of reading to be carried out.

Further readings

Further reading will be required to supplement the set text and other printed readings. Students are expected to identify all other reading relevant to their chosen topic for themselves. They will be required to read widely using the library search, a variety of bibliographic and full text databases, and Internet resources. Many resources can be accessed remotely. The purpose of this further reading is to ensure students are familiar with current research, classic works and material specific to their interests from the academic literature.

Access and skills

Formal opportunities for students to develop their library and information skills are provided within the induction period and study skills sessions. Additional support is available through online resources. This includes interactive tutorials on finding books and journals, evaluation information and referencing. Sign up workshops are also offered.

Indicative Reading List

The following list is offered to provide validation panels/accrediting bodies with an indication of the type and level of information students may be expected to consult. As such, its currency may wane during the life span of the module specification. However, as indicated above, CURRENT advice on readings will be available via other more frequently updated mechanisms, including the module guide.

- Armstrong, S.J. (Current Edition) The Animal Ethics Reader. London: Routledge.
- Broom, D.M. and Fraser, A.F. (Eds) (Current edition) Domestic Animal Behaviour and Welfare. Wallingford: CAB International.
- Broom, D.M. and Johnson, K.G. (Current Edition) *Stress and Animal Welfare*. London: Chapman & Hall.
- Corrigan, R., and Farrell, M.E. (Eds) (Current Edition) Ethics: A University Guide.
 Gloucester: Progressive Frontiers Press.
- Fraser, A.F. and Broom, D.M. (Current Edition) Farm Animal Behaviour and Welfare. Wallingford: CAB International.
- Griffin, D.R. (Current Edition) Animal Minds. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press
- Rowlands, M. (Current Edition) Animal Rights: Moral Theory and Practice.
 Chippingham and Eastbourne: Palgrave Macmillan.

Journals:

- Animal Welfare.
- Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science.
- Opinion articles in quality newspapers and magazines.

Databases:

- BioOne.
- Science Direct.
- Web of Knowledge.

Web sites:

- Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW): http://www.ufaw.org.uk
- Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs http://defra.gov.uk/
- National Centre for the Replacement, Refinement and Reduction of Animals in Research - http://www.nc3rs.org.uk/

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If a student is permitted an EXCEPTIONAL RETAKE of the module the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.						