

## **BTEC DIPLOMA IN ANIMAL CARE LEVEL 2**

### **Course Summary**

**A practical programme in animal care.**



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### **Course description**

This course has a balance of academic and practical subjects. Practical work takes place at our purpose built extensive animal unit and the grooming salon.

You will also work in the college's own animal unit under supervision.

### **How will I spend my time on the course?**

You will:

- complete work experience in the land-based industries,
- maintain animal accommodation, practical animal feeding,
- maintain animal health and welfare,
- participate in providing estate maintenance, and
- be introduced to animal breeds and grooming.

### **What are the entry requirements?**

- Minimum of four GCSEs grade D or above, including English language, or
- New Diploma at level 1 overall merit grade, with Functional Skills English, maths and IT at level 1.

You will need a keen interest in the subject and a commitment to the welfare of animals.

**Will it cost anything to do this course?**

If you're a full time students, under the age of 19 you will not usually need to pay any course or examination fees. Students aged 19+ should contact the information office, tel: 01484 437070 for fee information.

Just like any other college you will be expected to pay for some essential costs. For this course these include, overalls and/or lab coat, strong footwear, computer discs, some travel costs for visits. Help may be available for students in financial difficulties. Contact student support services, tel: 0500 162100.

**What other help can I get from the college?**

Our client services staff can offer advice and guidance on financial matters. Counsellors are available to help with personal and emotional problems. Extra help with English and maths is available to all who need or want it. Independent careers advice is also available within college, for more information contact student support services, tel: 0500 162100.

**How will I learn on this course?**

The course will give you the academic knowledge and practical skills you need for a position in the animal care industry or to progress on to higher level courses.

**How will I be assessed?**

Your progress will be monitored on a continual assessment programme through tutorials, presentations, written assignments, and practical skills.

**Will there be a work placement?**

Many students work at kennels, catteries, animal grooming parlours, pet shops, veterinary practices and stables. You may change your placement as your ideas develop.

**What can I do after this course?**

BTEC Extended Diploma in Animal Management level 3.

You could move on to employment within the industry, including animal collections, kennels, catteries, pet shops, animal welfare establishments, animal grooming parlours, or veterinary nursing assistant.

**How do I find out more about the course?**

Contact the college, tel: 01484437184/ 437070 or email: [info@kirkleescollege.ac.uk](mailto:info@kirkleescollege.ac.uk)