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DEGREES FOR REAL LIFE



**AGRICULTURE,  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  
AND ECOLOGY**

PROSPECTUS  
2026/27

OVER **78,000** PEOPLE WORK IN ANIMAL CARE  
IN THE UK, INCLUDING VETERINARY NURSES, DOG TRAINERS  
AND ANIMAL BEHAVIOURISTS.  
(www.brighterfutures.uk.com)

BRITISH FARMING PROVIDES  
**61%** OF THE FOOD EATEN IN THE UK  
(countrysideonline.co.uk)

THE AVERAGE FARM MANAGER  
SALARY IN THE UK IS **£53,306**  
(fwi.co.uk)

IN BRITAIN, THERE ARE MORE THAN **400**  
ZOOS, SAFARI PARKS, BIRD GARDENS AND AQUARIUMS  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, WHICH EMPLOY APPROXIMATELY  
**3,000** PEOPLE IN FULL-TIME POSITIONS.  
(biaza.org.uk)



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Since graduating, I have set up my own business and work with animals and young people.

James,  
Animal Management and Wildlife Conservation  
BSc (Hons)

# Faculty of Agriculture, Environmental Management and Ecology

**Our Cannington campus hosts our land-based courses and with its outstanding facilities, it is definitely worth a visit.**

The countryside location of the Cannington campus makes it an ideal choice for students interested in land-based education. In recent years over £10 million has been invested in improving the facilities and residential accommodation. As a result, the resources for land-based training here are now considered to be among the best in the country, providing students with state-of-the-art surroundings for learning and practising their skills.

The facilities include a working farm with our Agriculture Innovation Centre, the Animal Management

Centre, Equestrian Centre with indoor and outdoor arenas, Conservation Area, the historical Walled Gardens of Cannington, and a nine-hole, 18 tee golf course.

## **Rodway Farm**

Our award-winning 180-hectare working farm is one of the region's most important dairy units. It has a dairy herd of high-yielding Holsteins producing an average of 10,700 litres per cow each year. The farm has a milk contract with Tesco Muller. Other enterprises include a lowland sheep flock and a small suckler herd of Sheeted Somerset cows. The farm is a forerunner in the use of new and emerging technology, and students have the opportunity to use an array of the latest agricultural

machinery and equipment to prepare them for work in the industry.

## **Agriculture Innovation Centre**

Our pioneering Agriculture Innovation Centre offers students the full benefit of outstanding teaching resources across all aspects of modern agricultural management including arable, mechanisation, livestock and the environment.

Facilities include laboratories equipped with the latest scientific equipment to undertake commercial trial and research work, and a fully equipped Biosecurity Centre, which ensures students work to unrivalled standards of disease prevention and control.



**Following graduation I gained a Business Development & Marketing Manager role at SaMASZ UK.**

Jakub,  
Agricultural Management  
BSc (Hons)



**My degree has provided me with the knowledge, skills and qualification I needed to become a Graduate Solicitor Apprentice within Agriculture and Rural Property.**

Beth,  
Agricultural Management  
BSc (Hons)



### Animal Management Centre

The Animal Management Centre provides a state-of-the-art setting for studying our animal management, ecology and conservation courses. It provides spacious theory and practical rooms whilst housing an extensive animal collection.

The animal collection is used to develop practical animal handling skills, support learning with regard to species captive management, and is available for project or dissertation research.

Specialist animal areas include a nocturnal room that provides insights into behaviour comparisons with the animals kept in the diurnal (non-nocturnal) rooms. Both are home to some unusual species as well as those commonly kept as domestic pets. The exotic and amphibian areas house a range of snakes, lizards,

tortoises, turtles, frogs, newts and toads, while for those interested in fish we have cold and tropical fish tanks.

Outside, we have areas for donkeys, alpacas, sheep, goats, ponies, otters, meerkats, birds of prey and raccoon dogs.

Additionally, students have access to a range of habitats to facilitate ecological skills. There is a dedicated conservation area on site and visits to local areas are undertaken to support learning. A key environment is Steart Marshes, the first of WWT's working wetlands providing flood defences, productive farmland and a nature reserve.

Well-equipped laboratories allow study of animal health in relation to microbiology, faecal/urine testing and environmental analysis e.g. water and soil testing and PCR techniques.



**My degree at UCS enabled me to progress to a Masters degree at another university. I am now working towards my certification to become a clinical animal behaviourist.**

Ana,  
Animal Management and Wildlife Conservation  
BSc (Hons)



**I was supported by my tutors to present my dissertation project at the BIAZA Research Conference, and to submit it for publication.**

Sam,  
Animal Management and Wildlife Conservation  
BSc (Hons)



## Access to HE

**An Access to Higher Education Diploma is designed to provide a route for learners aged 19 or over who possess few formal qualifications to progress to university-level study. It can lead to a wide range of career and higher education opportunities.**

We currently offer two different routes, each with progression opportunities linked to them:

- **Nursing, Midwifery and Healthcare**
- **Science.**

In addition, the Access to HE course includes core study skills sessions to support learning and progression. These include:

- **Research and Study Skills**
- **Digital Skills**
- **English**
- **Maths**
- **UCAS application support**
- **Tutorial.**

### Teaching and Assessment

The majority of modules are taught via lectures; other teaching methods include seminars, tutorials, workshops and guided learning/independent activities. The Access to HE course utilises a blended learning approach, and some sessions will be delivered online.

### Where does it lead?

Successful completion of this course will provide you with a qualification that will enable you to apply to study a university-level course. In recent years, students have gone on to study a wide range of degree courses including nursing, midwifery, veterinary science, radiography and dental hygiene/therapy.

**Duration:** 30 weeks

**Location:** Taunton

### Entry requirements:

Students will need qualifications at Level 2 including a GCSE Grade C/4 in English (language or literature), Functional Skills Level 2 in English or equivalent qualifications. GCSE Grade D/3 in mathematics, Functional Skills Level 1 in maths or equivalent qualification. Learners should also have basic IT skills with a device that can be used for substantial written work, and an internet connection.

You are required to be aged 19 or over and may be eligible for a loan to cover your course fees.



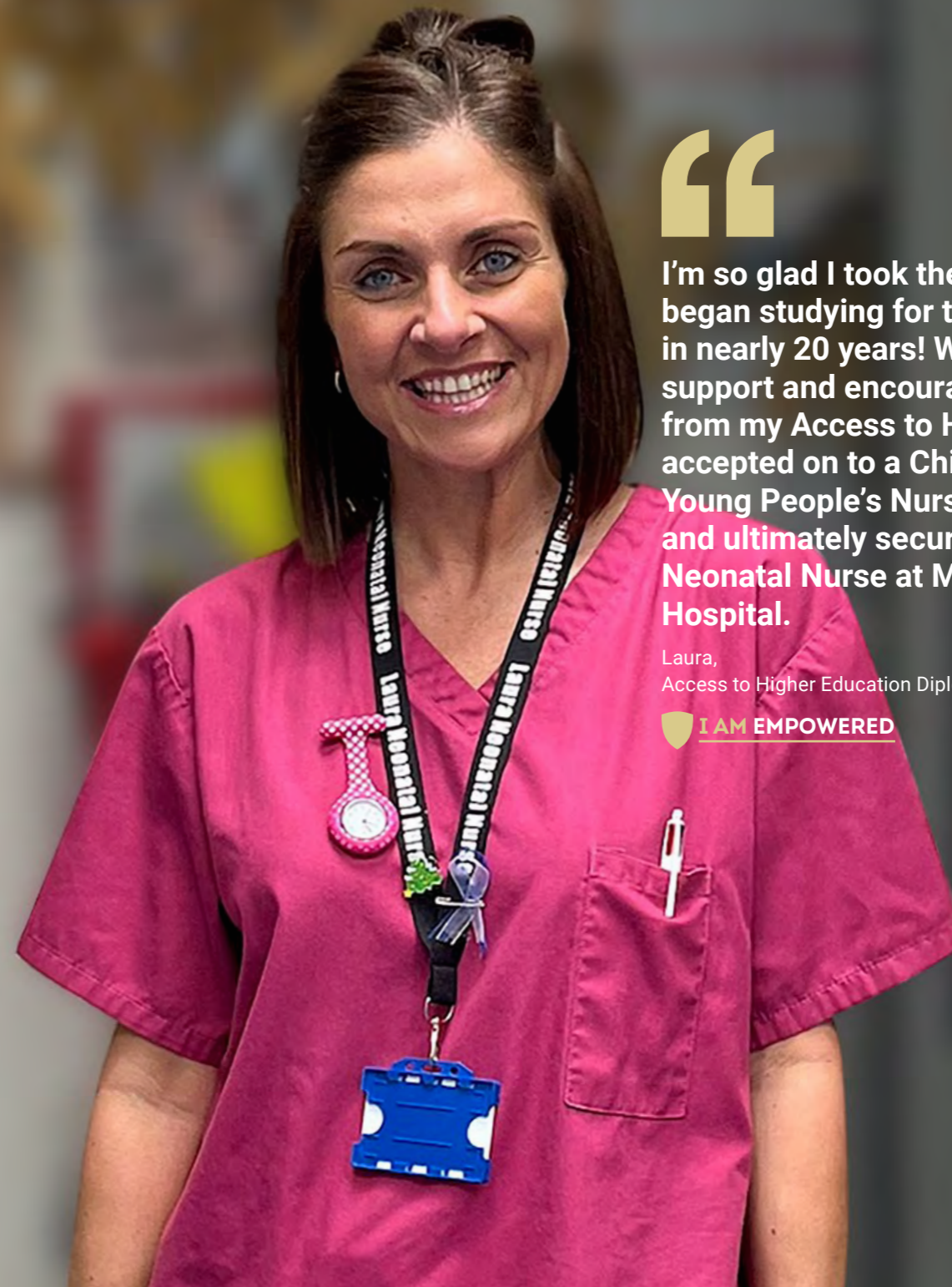
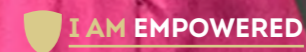
If you complete an Access to HE course and then go on and complete a degree or other recognised higher education course, you will not have to repay the remaining loan for the Access to HE course.

*If you are looking for an Art & Design course to prepare for entry to a creative degree at university, please see the Art & Design Foundation Diploma (Pathways to HE) on our website, or on page 18 of the Business and Creative Industries prospectus.*

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**I'm so glad I took the leap and began studying for the first time in nearly 20 years! With incredible support and encouragement from my Access to HE tutor, I was accepted on to a Children and Young People's Nursing degree and ultimately secured a job as a Neonatal Nurse at Musgrove Park Hospital.**

Laura,  
Access to Higher Education Diploma



## Higher & Degree Apprenticeships

**Our expertise and partnerships with over 1,500 local, regional and national employers enable us to provide a diverse range of Apprenticeships that help address the increasing demand for higher-level skills in Somerset and beyond.**

An Apprenticeship is an effective way to study, as it enables individuals to gain a nationally recognised qualification while obtaining practical on-the-job experience.

Higher and Degree Apprenticeships have become a popular choice for individuals looking for a fast track into a career, as they provide the chance to gain applicable skills and knowledge about an industry. Higher Apprenticeships may include the achievement of academic/vocational qualifications at Level 4 and 5 such as HNCs, HNDs, and Foundation Degrees, while Degree Apprenticeships

can provide qualifications up to Level 6 or 7, such as a full BA, BSc, or BEng Honours Degree, or in some cases, even a Master's Degree.

We work closely with our network of employers to offer Apprenticeships in a wide range of subjects, including nursing, nuclear engineering, leadership and management, and much more. UCS is continually updating its portfolio to support industry demand, ensuring that apprentices are gaining the most relevant and up-to-date knowledge and skills.

The length of an Apprenticeship can vary, with a Higher Apprenticeship lasting up to 5 years and a Degree Apprenticeship taking between 4 to 6 years. Apprentices are employed full-time by their respective employers, and the combination of work and study can vary from one employer

to another. Some Apprenticeships may involve day release, studying at UCS one day per week, while others may involve block release or a blended approach that combines online and face-to-face learning.

If you're interested in pursuing an apprenticeship, our dedicated team is ready to help.

**Call 01278 655111** or email **apprenticehelp@btc.ac.uk** for more information.

 **University Centre Somerset is part of Bridgwater & Taunton College, one of the largest apprenticeship providers in the country.**

## Higher & Degree Apprenticeships

Our Apprenticeship offer is continually developing and changing due to business demands and changes to the Apprenticeship structure. Therefore, this list should only be considered as a guide.

### **BUSINESS**

Associate Project Manager Level 4  
Operations/Departmental Manager Level 5

### **CONSTRUCTION**

Construction Design and Build Technician Level 4

### **ENGINEERING AND NUCLEAR**

Engineering Manufacturing Technician Level 4  
Nuclear Engineer Level 6 Degree

### **HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE**

Lead Practitioner in Adult Care Level 4  
Leader in Adult Care Level 5  
Healthcare Assistant Practitioner Level 5  
Leadership and Management for Adult Care Level 5  
Nursing Associate Level 5  
Registered Nurse Level 6

### **HEALTH AND FITNESS**

Sports Coach Level 4  
Occupational Therapist Level 6\*  
Youth Worker Level 6\*

### **LAND-BASED**

Countryside Ranger Level 4



I chose to study at UCS for its convenient location, allowing me to earn and learn. The small class sizes and practical approach make learning more hands-on. Learning about marketing strategies in agriculture has broadened my knowledge and prepared me for my future career.

Alex,  
Agricultural Management  
Foundation Degree



**The importance of agriculture and food to the nation has been demonstrated more than ever over the last few years. Where the country gets its food and how it is produced is becoming ever more complex and with it comes industry demand for qualified recruits. Agriculture and the associated industries are big businesses in the UK and abroad and once studied can be your passport into employment or further enrichment overseas.**

Industry links form a critical part of our course with regular visits, guest speakers and workshops from sector specialists. The course covers technical and managerial aspects of modern agriculture and areas of study may include:

- **Animal Production Systems**
- **Agricultural Finance and Technology**
- **Animal Health and Food Safety**
- **Crop Management and Sustainable Processes**
- **Livestock Management**
- **The Environment and the Law**
- **Business Diversification and Marketing.**

#### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are assessed through a combination of coursework and formal examination. Coursework could include written/practical reports, in-class tests, case studies,

essays, oral presentations, posters or a project which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the course.

#### Career Progression

Successful completion of the Foundation Degree will provide you with the opportunity to progress and top-up your qualification to a BSc (Hons) Degree.

This course will prepare you for employment in the industry in roles such as farm manager, rural surveyor, unit manager, farm contractor or senior herdsman.



#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Typically entrants will possess:
- A minimum of 48 UCAS tariff points from a full Level 3 qualification in a relevant subject area
  - At least four GCSEs at grades 4 and above including English and maths, or Level 2 equivalent.

Mature applicants with relevant experience who do not have the stated entry requirements are encouraged to apply.

Type:	Foundation Degree
UCAS code:	D400
Institution code:	B70
Attendance:	Full-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	University of Plymouth

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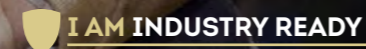
# Agricultural Management

BSc (Hons) Top-up



The course has helped me prepare for my next steps by providing me with a broad knowledge of the agricultural industry that I can apply to future jobs. I was honoured to receive the Jeremy Walker Agricultural Management Scholarship, which recognised my passion for agriculture and provided valuable networking opportunities with industry professionals.

Abigail,  
Agricultural Management  
BSc (Hons)



The BSc (Hons) Agricultural Management Top-up aims to provide students with a learning environment which builds on the platform of the UCS Agricultural Management Foundation Degree. Alternatively, students could have studied a similar Foundation Degree or HND elsewhere.

Whether you are focused on farm management or an associated industry, this course aims to supply graduates with the opportunity to develop systematic understanding and detailed knowledge of the key concepts, contexts and technologies shaping the developments in the agrifood sector.



Industry links form a critical part of our course with regular visits, guest speakers and workshops from sector leaders.

The course covers technical and managerial aspects of modern agriculture.

Areas of study may include:

- **Business Analysis and Development**
- **Agricultural Business Management**
- **Strategic and Human Resource Management**
- **Food Chain Management**
- **Research Project.**

### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are assessed through a combination of coursework and formal examination. Coursework could include written/practical reports, in-class tests, case studies, essays, oral presentations, posters and an Honours Project which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

### Career Progression

Successful completion of the Degree will provide you with the opportunity to progress to employment or further study in an agriculture/food related subject, or for senior roles in the agricultural industry or working within the management team of associated food industries.



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Typically entrants will possess:

- A Foundation Degree in Agricultural Management
- or an HND
- or an equivalent Level 5 qualification in an appropriate discipline
- At least four GCSEs at grade 4 and above including English and maths, or Level 2 equivalent.

Type:	Bachelors Degree
UCAS code:	D401
Institution code:	B70
Attendance:	Full-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	University of Plymouth

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# Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation

BSc (Hons)



I chose UCS for its excellent facilities, supportive staff, and proximity to home. I love the variety of subjects my course encompasses and the hands-on experience with diverse species. After graduation, I aim to work in a zoo, focusing on reptiles.

Joe,  
Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation  
BSc (Hons)

 **I AM INDUSTRY READY**

Animal Management



**This programme explores the interconnectedness between animals and their environment through theoretical and practical competencies, related to both research and industry settings.**

It is a broad-based programme that investigates the diverse relationships between captive or wild animal situations in relation to a range of habitat management and conservation strategies. Being able to develop ecosystems to increase biodiversity and design environments to enrich an animal's wellbeing are key skills at a national and international level. Ecological techniques relevant to monitoring species and their habitats are also undertaken.

The programme is delivered by teaching staff with a wide range of industry and research experience at University Centre Somerset's Cannington campus. There are a range of facilities available to further support academic studies, such as an extensive animal collection, conservation area and access to local environments such as Steart Marshes, the first WWT working wetland.

As part of your degree, you will be required to undertake work experience in the first year in an industry-related business. In addition, there are a variety of optional visits to external organisations aid the development of existing skill sets.

Modules may include:

- **Management of Captive Animals**
- **Animal Health Diagnostics**
- **Enclosure and Enrichment Design**
- **Evolution and Adaptation**
- **Field and Behavioural Monitoring Techniques**
- **Introduction to Ecological Principles and Habitats**
- **Ecological Monitoring and Habitat Management**
- **Animal Behavioural Management.**

#### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are assessed through a combination of coursework and Time Constrained Essays. Coursework could include written/practical reports, case studies, essays, oral presentations, posters or a project (Level 5) and dissertation (Level 6) both of which allow independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

#### Career Progression

Successful completion of this degree could help learners gain employment within an animal establishment, zoological collection, wildlife organisation, conservation body or ecological consultancy. In addition, upon successful completion of the BSc (Hons), progression to a Masters Degree or PhD could be an option. Graduates could progress to an MSc in Animal Behaviour, or Wildlife/ Zoo Conservation or Ecology.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Typically entrants will possess:

- A minimum of 80 UCAS points from a full Level 3 qualification
- Five GCSEs including English language, maths and science at grade 4 and above, or recognised equivalent
- Applicants with English as their second language must have a minimum IELTS level 6 or equivalent.

#### Additional Equipment Required

- PPE is required for practicals on the animal unit: steel toe-capped boots or wellingtons plus blue overalls are needed. They can be obtained from agricultural stores
- Waterproof clothing, sensible walking boots and high visibility jackets may be required for working in external environments
- Optional trips and visits offered will incur additional costs.

Type:	Bachelors Degree
UCAS code:	D303
Institution code:	B70
Attendance:	Full-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	The Open University

# Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation

## Foundation Degree

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UCS offers plenty of hands-on experience with a wide range of animals, and support with my dyslexia. The balance of theory and practical work has been invaluable. My greatest achievement so far was overcoming my nerves with presentations, gaining communication skills I'll use in my future career.

Emily,  
Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation  
Foundation Degree

 **I AM HIGHLY SKILLED**



**This broad-based programme investigates management, ecology and conservation of animal species and their habitats using theoretical knowledge, background research and industry-recognised skills.**

**Modules explore the interconnectedness between animal behaviour, habitats and human impact at local, national and international levels, developing a rounded awareness of industry perspectives and ecological impacts.**

Experienced staff support your studies with the use of the extensive animal management collection and conservation area at the Cannington campus alongside visits to external environments such as Steart Marshes (WWT).

Links with industry are maintained through work-based learning placements and projects. Importantly, you will be able to develop a wide range of practical skills such as behavioural monitoring, environmental/species surveying and captive enclosure management to enable you to contribute to a range of management and conservation situations.

Modules may include:

- **Management of Captive Animals**
- **Applied Animal Welfare and Ethics**
- **Ecological Principles and Habitats**
- **Enclosure and Enrichment Design**
- **Evolution and Adaptation**
- **British Wildlife.**

### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are either assessed via 100% coursework or a combination of coursework and Timed Constrained Essays. Coursework could include written/practical reports, case studies, essays, oral presentations, posters or a project which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

### Progression Opportunities

On successful completion, learners have the opportunity to progress on to the BSc (Hons) Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation Top-up, which can be studied at University Centre Somerset, validated by The Open University, or to undertake further study elsewhere.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Typically entrants will possess:

- A minimum of 64 UCAS points from a full Level 3 qualification
- Five GCSEs including English language, maths and science at grade 4 and above, or recognised equivalent
- Applicants with English as their second language must have a minimum IELTS level 6 or equivalent.

### Additional Equipment Required

- PPE is required for practicals on the animal unit: steel toe-capped boots or wellingtons plus blue overalls are needed. They can be obtained from agricultural stores
- Waterproof clothing, sensible walking boots and high visibility jackets may be required for working in external environments
- Optional trips and visits offered will incur additional costs.

Type:	Foundation Degree
UCAS code:	D302
Institution code:	B70
Attendance:	Full-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	The Open University

*There may be the opportunity to study our full-time courses on a part-time basis, please contact us to discuss.*

# Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation

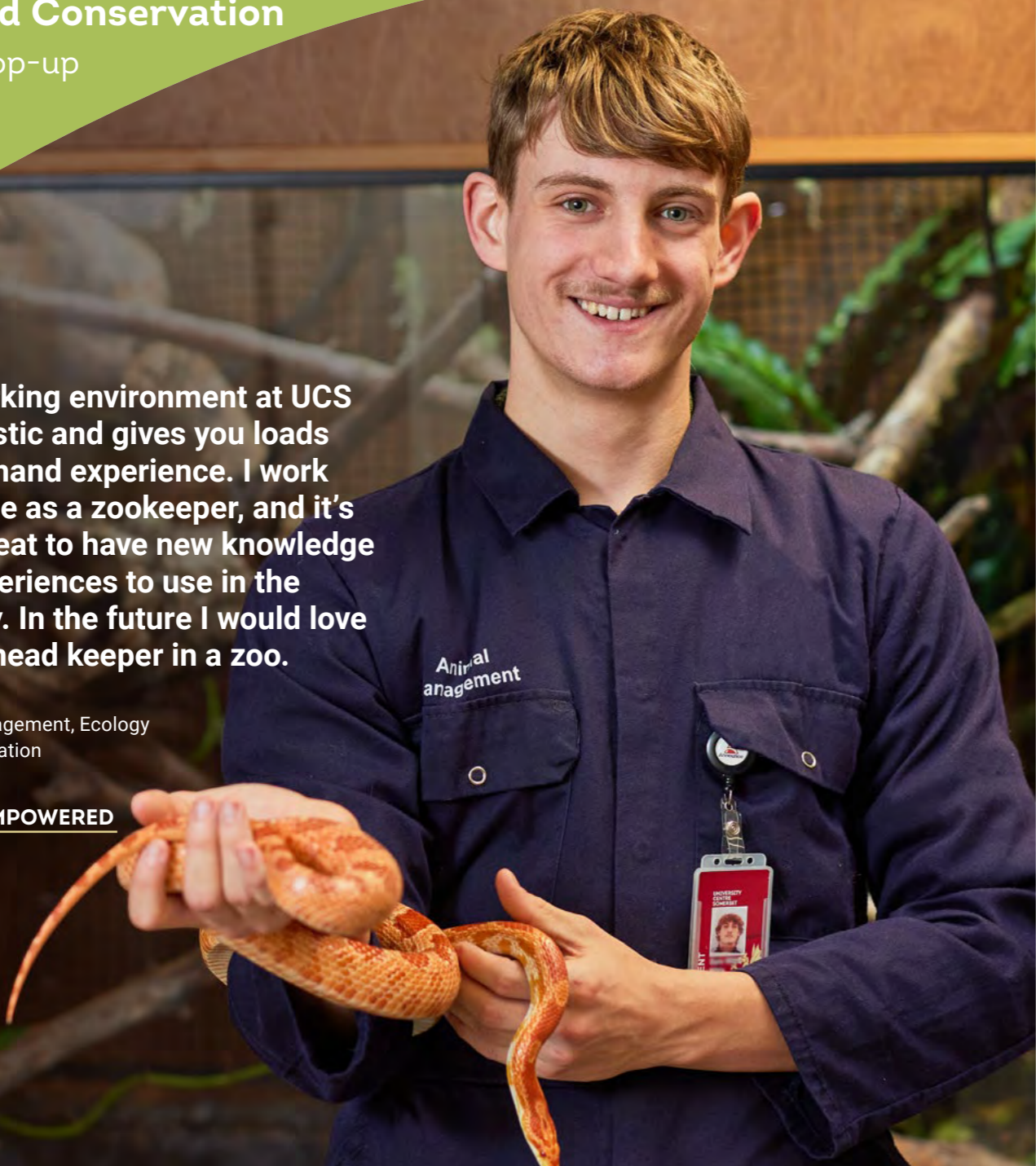
BSc (Hons) Top-up



The working environment at UCS is fantastic and gives you loads of first-hand experience. I work part-time as a zookeeper, and it's been great to have new knowledge and experiences to use in the industry. In the future I would love to be a head keeper in a zoo.

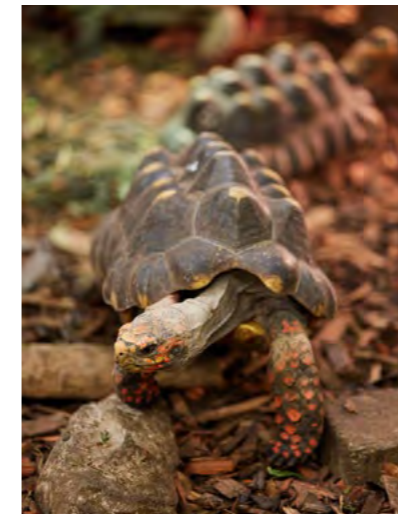
Sam,  
Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation  
BSc (Hons)

 **I AM EMPOWERED**



This programme investigates principles of behavioural analysis, ecological monitoring and conservation strategies in relation to captive, companion and wild animal management. Theoretical evaluation and industry-recognised techniques are explored through a variety of modules linking to global research and practices. The dissertation module allows the opportunity to develop personal interests and research abilities associated to an area of animal management, ecology or conservation with the support of experienced staff.

This is an ideal programme for graduates of an animal, ecology or conservation-based foundation degree or HND wishing to further their study to gain a full honours degree.



The qualification provides graduates with higher-level academic competencies and transferable skills to potentially progress to post-graduate qualifications or industry employment.

Modules may include:

- **Animal Cognition and Consciousness**
- **Animal Behavioural Management**
- **Ecological Monitoring and Habitat Management**
- **Current Affairs in Animal Conservation**
- **Dissertation.**

#### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are either assessed via 100% coursework or a combination of coursework and Time Constrained Essays. Coursework could comprise written/practical reports, case studies, essays, vivas, oral presentations, posters, and a dissertation, which allows independent research in a topic of interest, developed with staff on the programme.

#### Career Progression

The course could help you gain employment within an animal establishment, zoological collection, ecological consultancy or conservation body. In addition, upon successful completion of the BSc (Hons) Top-up, a Masters Degree or PhD could be an option. Graduates could progress to an MSc in Animal Behaviour or Wildlife/Zoo Conservation.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Typically entrants will possess:

- A complete Level 5 qualification with all modules at a pass or above e.g. FdSc or HND in a relevant topic
- Five GCSEs including English language, maths and science at grade 4 and above
- Applicants with English as their second language must have a minimum IELTS level 6 or equivalent.

#### Additional Equipment Required

- PPE is required for practicals on the animal unit: steel toe-capped boots or wellingtons plus blue overalls are needed. They can be obtained from agricultural stores
- Waterproof clothing, sensible walking boots and high visibility jackets may be required for working in external environments
- Optional trips and visits offered will incur additional costs.

Type:	Bachelors Degree
UCAS code:	D304
Institution code:	B70
Attendance:	Full-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	The Open University

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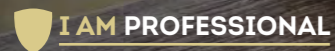
# Animal Management

Level 4 Professional Certificate



As an adult returning to learning, I was suddenly studying a subject that I absolutely loved. I threw myself into it, and the support I had at UCS made it an amazing experience.

Becky,  
Animal Conservation BSc (Hons) Graduate  
Assistant Reserves Manager



**The Professional Certificate in Animal Management consists of three 20 credit modules within the BSc (Hons) Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation programme offered at the Cannington campus.**

This certificate has been developed for learners who would like to study general animal management related theory and practical competencies that would be primarily for their own interest and education. The programme would also enable learners who have busy lifestyles or who are engaged in industry to undertake higher learning in a manageable format. In addition, the programme can prepare learners for further higher study and/or employment.

There are two 15-week semesters over the academic year. Each module is studied in a specific semester with attendance over one and a half days per week. In addition, an academic development session is offered to help progress higher level learning skills. External research work and assessments are set to be completed outside of college.

Modules may include:

- **Management of Captive Animals**
- **Animal Health Diagnostics**
- **Enclosure and Enrichment Design.**

### Teaching and Assessment

The modules are assessed via 100% coursework, which could comprise written/practical reports, case studies, essays, vivas, oral presentations or posters. There is also a Time Constrained Essay for the Enclosure and Enrichment Design module.

### Progression Opportunities

You could progress to the Foundation Degree or BSc (Hons) qualification in Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation after successfully completing the Professional Certificate.



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- The nature of this study requires GCSEs at grade 4 and above in English language and maths, or equivalent
- Applicants with English as their second language must have a minimum IELTS Level 6 or equivalent.

Type:	Level 4 Certificate
Attendance:	Part-time
Location:	Cannington
Awarding body:	The Open University

## Where to find us

One of the benefits of University Centre Somerset is our accessibility. So however you're travelling, you will find us easy to get to.

### Rail

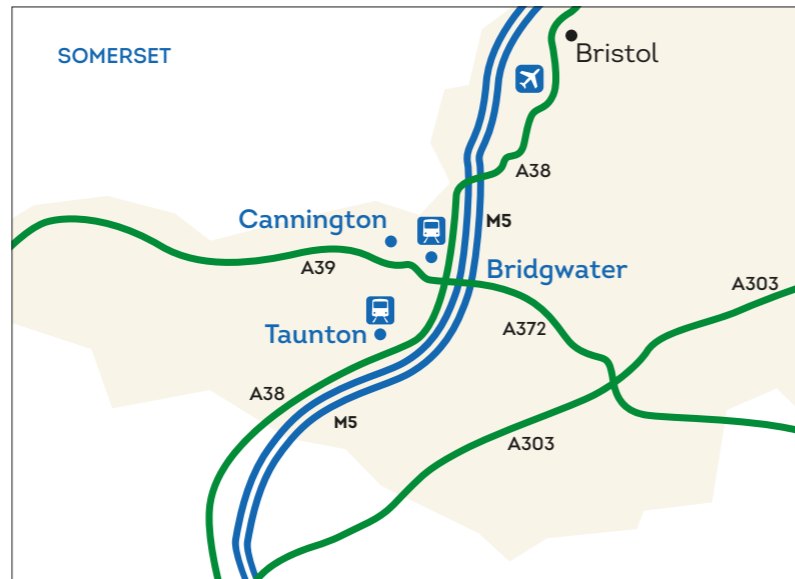
Our Taunton and Bridgwater campuses are easily accessible by train. Both towns are on the main line from Bristol to Exeter, and our campuses are within an easy walk or taxi ride of the station.

### Bus

We have bus stops on each of our campuses, served by local bus routes. A regular connection runs between the Bridgwater and Cannington campuses.

### Car

All three campuses are easily accessible from the M5 motorway. Each campus offers limited parking, including designated areas for disabled parking, mopeds and bicycles. You will be charged **£1 per day to park at our Taunton campus**, while parking is free at the Bridgwater and Cannington campuses.



### Taunton campus

Wellington Road  
Taunton  
Somerset  
TA1 5AX

01278 441234  
info@somerset.ac.uk



### Bridgwater campus

Bath Road  
Bridgwater  
Somerset  
TA6 4PZ

### Cannington campus

Rodway  
Cannington  
Somerset  
TA5 2LS

## UCS course list

### AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ECOLOGY

**Agricultural Management**  
Foundation Degree

**Agricultural Management**  
BSc (Hons) Top-up

**Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation**  
BSc (Hons)

**Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation**  
Foundation Degree

**Animal Management, Ecology and Conservation**  
BSc (Hons) Top-up

**Animal Management**  
Level 4 Professional Certificate

**Apprenticeships**  
**Countryside Ranger**  
Level 4

### DIGITAL INNOVATION, ENGINEERING AND CLEAN ENERGY

**Computing and Digital Technologies**  
BSc (Hons)

**Computing and Digital Technologies**  
Foundation Degree

**Computing and Digital Technologies**  
BSc (Hons) Top-up

**Construction Management for England**  
HNC Level 4

**Electrical & Electronic Engineering for England**  
HNC Level 4

**Manufacturing Engineering for England**  
HNC Level 4

**Mechanical Engineering for England**  
HNC Level 4

**Motorsport Engineering\***  
BEng (Hons)

**Mechanical Engineering with Nuclear**  
BEng (Hons)

**Electrical, Electronic and Control Engineering with Nuclear**  
BEng (Hons)

### Apprenticeships

**Construction Site Engineering Technician**  
Level 4

**Construction Site Supervisor**  
Level 4

**Engineering Manufacturing Technician**  
Level 4

**Nuclear Engineer**  
Level 6 Degree

\*Subject to validation

## HEALTH, WELLBEING AND EDUCATION

### Early Childhood Education and Care

BA (Hons)

### Early Childhood Education and Care

Foundation Degree

### Early Childhood Education and Care

BA (Hons) Top-up

### Nursing (Adult)

BSc (Hons)

### Nursing (Mental Health)

BSc (Hons)

### Nursing Associate

Foundation Degree

### Assistant Practitioner (multiple pathways)

Foundation Degree

### Adult Care

Level 4 Diploma

### Leadership & Management for Adult Care

Level 5 Diploma

### Therapeutic Counselling

Level 4 Diploma

### Sports Science and Coaching\*

BSc (Hons)

### Certificate in Education

Level 5 Certificate

### PGCE

Level 6 / 7 Diploma

## Apprenticeships

### Registered Nurse

Level 6

### Nursing Associate

Level 5

### Lead Practitioner in Adult Care

Level 5

### Leader in Adult Care

Level 4

### Healthcare Assistant Practitioner

Level 5

### Leadership and Management for Adult Care

Level 5

### Sports Coach

Level 4

## BUSINESS AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

### Management and Leadership

Level 5 Award / Certificate / Diploma

### Art & Design

Foundation Diploma

### Makeup Artistry, Prosthetic FX and Wig Making

BA (Hons)

### Makeup Artistry, Prosthetic FX and Wig Making

Foundation Degree

### Makeup Artistry, Prosthetic FX and Wig Making

BA (Hons) Top-up

## Apprenticeships

### Associate Project Manager

Level 4

### Operations/Departmental Manager

Level 5

### Access to HE

### Nursing, Midwifery and Healthcare

### Science

\*Subject to validation

# Coming soon to University Centre Somerset

From 2026, UCS is seeking to award and validate its own degrees, subject to approval from the Office for Students (OfS). This, combined with the continued work with our university partners, will allow us to deliver on our commitment to providing 'DEGREES FOR REAL LIFE', transforming lives and our communities through higher and degree level education.

## UCS degrees coming soon\* ...

### SEPTEMBER 2026

- BEng (Hons) Motorsport
- BSc (Hons) Applied Sport Science and Coaching
- BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy (validated by UWE Bristol)
- BEng (Hons) Instrument Control & Automation
- BSc (Hons) Manufacturing Management
- BSc (Hons) Digital Marketing
- BSc (Hons) Animal Management, Ecology & Conservation
- BA (Hons) Makeup Artistry, Prosthetic & Wig Making
- BSc (Hons) Computing and Digital Technologies
- BSc (Hons) Agriculture Management

### SEPTEMBER 2027

- BSc (Hons) Counselling
- BA (Hons) Primary Education (with QTS)
- BA (Hons) Youth & Community Work
- BA (Hons) Early Childhood Education & Care

### SEPTEMBER 2028

- BSc (Hons) Midwifery (validated by UWE Bristol)
- BSc (Hons) Paramedic Science (validated by UWE Bristol)

*\* Launch dates are provisional and UCS and UWE Bristol retain the right not to validate or run any of the above*

Expressions of interest help us to understand the demand for these courses, and improve the likelihood of UCS running them. If you are interested in any of the above, please follow this QR code and let us know!



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