

## Foundation Science Degree in Zoo Resource Management

The course is designed as a three year part time block release course based at Sparsholt College. The taught programme is delivered over two years with the third year being available as a possible extension. It is expected that most students will complete after two years. The award supercedes and is equivalent to the HNC in Zoo Resource Management. Entry is invited for September 2005.

Applicants should preferably have a City & Guilds Advanced National Certificate in Management of Zoo Animals, or equivalent, and have regular employment (in excess of 20 hours per week) in the zoo community or associated occupational area. They should have been employed for at least one year in a relevant animal collection such as a zoological or wildlife park, garden, nature centre. Exceptions to this are considered; please contact the College for further information.

Course Units are delivered as follows:

<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>
Information, Communication & Learning Technology	Applied Industrial Research
Introductory Science	Conservation & Education
Anatomy & Physiology	Breeding Programme Management
Reproduction Biology	Business Planning & Finance
Animal Nutrition	Equipment & Staff Management
Animal Behaviour & Welfare	Work Based Development 2
Zoo Animal Health	
Work Based Development 1	

The assessment programme is based around assignment work for each module with a range of assignments (such as reports, presentations) in both years.

Course programme delivery is via a series of formal lectures, seminars, laboratory practicals and workshops, visits to zoological collections and use of visiting speakers. In addition, it is envisaged that learning support will be provided in the workplace. A zoo mentor will be in place to give guidance on the work-based developments. In addition, tutorial support during residential blocks and also by visit(s) to the workplace.

Since the course recruits nationally, the mode of delivery is via fortnight blocks (2 blocks per year) of study at the College.

Accommodation can be on site at Sparsholt College or arranged locally.

Course block release dates are   Block 1       7-18 Nov 2005  
  Block 2       20 Feb – 3 Mar 2006

Annual part-time tuition fee 2005/06      £600.00  
Please note that accommodation fees are in addition to this.

For further details on registration and accommodation, please contact Part Time Registry (01962-797213/797484). For course specific issues please contact either Andy Beer (01062-797272) or Jess Ostler (01962-797328). Other enquiries to college switchboard 01962-776441.