



## PROGRAMME SPECIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Science in Animal Biology, Behaviour, Welfare and Ethics (BSc ABBWE)

Bachelor of Science in Animal Biology, Behaviour, Welfare and Ethics with Placement Year (BSc ABBWE PY) th

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1. Applies to cohort commencing in:	2022
2. Degree Granting Body	University of London
3. Awarding institution	The Royal Veterinary College
4. Programme name	
5. Programme accredited by	Royal Society of Biology
6. Name and title	Bachelor of Science in Animal Biology, Behaviour, Welfare and Ethics (BSc ABBWE)
7. Intermediate and Subsidiary Award(s)	Cert HE, Dip HE

8. Programme description																	
9. Programme objectives																	
10. Date of First Intake	2015																
11. Frequency of Intake	Annually in September																
12. Duration and Mode(s) of Study	Three years, full time. A mix of teaching approaches including on-site and digital, synchronous and asynchronous, class and self-paced, expert-led, group and individual																
13. Registration Period (must be in line with the General Regulations for Study and Award)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Full Time</th> <th colspan="2">Part Time</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Minimum</th> <th>Maximum</th> <th>Minimum</th> <th>Maximum</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> <td>4</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Academic years</td> <td>Academic years</td> <td>Academic years</td> <td>Academic years</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Full Time		Part Time		Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	2	5	4	6	Academic years	Academic years	Academic years	Academic years
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14. Timing of Examination Board meetings	Annually in July																
15. Date of Last Periodic Review	2020																
16. Date of Next Periodic Review	2023																
17. Language of study and assessment	English																
18. Entry Requirements	<a href="https://www.rvc.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/bsc-animal-behaviour-and-welfare#tab-entry-requirements">https://www.rvc.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/bsc-animal-behaviour-and-welfare#tab-entry-requirements</a>																
19. UCAS code	D390																
20. HECoS Code	100345																
21. Relevant QAA subject benchmark	Biosciences																
22. Other External Reference Points																	
Regulations of the University of London																	

Quality Assurance Agency, The Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies, 2014

SEEC Level Descriptors for Higher Education, SEEC, 2010

Royal Society of Biology Degree Accreditation Criteria 2019

**23. Aims of programme**

- x To offer a high quality course incorporating extensive research experience, in which students are challenged by, and stimulated to challenge, accepted wisdom in all fields of biological science;
- x To prepare graduates for a PhD or careers in academic and commercial research, and in a range of graduate careers that involve the management and welfare of companion, farm, laboratory, working and wild animals.

**24. Overall Programme Level Learning Outcomes - the programme offers opportunities for students to achieve and demonstrate the following learning outcomes. Learning outcomes should be specified for all intermediate awards as well as for the terminal award.**

E.g. On successful completion of the Bachelor of Science course, students will:

Modules in which each learning outcome will be developed and assessed:

- x Have an appreciation of health and safety appropriate to laboratory and field work, including completion and understanding of risk assessment and COSHH documents.

## Investigative Projects





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7. Intermediate and Subsidiary Award (s)	Cert HE, Dip HE
8. Course Management Team	Course Director: Dr Charlotte Lawson; Pathway Leader: Dr Charlotte Burn; Year 1 Leader: Dr Donald Palmer; Year 2 Leader: Dr Abir Mukherjee; Year 3 Leader: Dr Claire Russell Year 4 Leader: Dr Isabel Orriss
9. FHEQ Level of Final Award	Level 6 See: <a href="https://www.qaa.ac.uk/quality-code/qualifications-frameworks">https://www.qaa.ac.uk/quality-code/qualifications-frameworks</a>
10. Date of First Intake	2022
11. Frequency of Intake	Annually in September
12. Duration and Mode(s) of Study	Four years, full-time, face to face. A mix of teaching approaches including onsite and digital, synchronous and asynchronous, class and self-paced, expert-led, group and individual.
13. Registration Period	





- x Display practical skills including the ability to design and execute experiments,  
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				three other Compulsory Y3 modules are taken, in which case an optional 15 credit module maybe substituted
Year 4	Animal Behaviour, Welfare or Ethics Research Project	6	60	Compulsory
Year 4, pre-Term 1	Practical Investigative Biology	6	15	Optional
Year 4, Term 1	Advanced Concepts in Reproduction	6	15	