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**HELLO**

**YOUR  
WELCOME  
PACK**

**Animal Studies**

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# WELCOME

## Introduction from Kate Michael Head of Caring Professions



Hello and welcome to our College.

I am delighted you have chosen  
to study with us, and am looking  
forward to meeting you (If I haven't  
done so already).

I am the Head of Department for  
Caring Professions and this means I  
am responsible for ensuring you have  
all the opportunities and resources  
you need to succeed on your course,  
that the teaching and learning you  
receive is the best it can be, and that  
you have access to all the support,  
mentorship and encouragement you  
need to achieve your qualification.

We are immensely proud of our  
students, and if you promise to  
work hard, in return we will do  
everything we can to make sure you  
are achieving, and that you remain  
happy, motivated and on track to  
achieve your goals and dream career.

In these pages, you will find photos  
of all our staff so you can familiarise  
yourself with who will be teaching  
you, and who is available to support  
you whilst you study with us.

In addition, we have a whole team  
of people who work in our Student  
Services department who are

dedicated to ensuring your  
experience at College is amazing!  
They can arrange additional support  
for you in and out of the classroom,  
advice and support for your welfare,  
safeguarding and financial support,  
careers guidance, or help you make  
new friends with our Student Union,  
and other fun activities and social  
clubs.

This pack also contains a few  
activities, and some reading  
materials we recommend you have  
a go at. These will introduce you to  
your course and keep you motivated.

If you have any questions, please  
feel free to use any of the methods  
identified at the back of this pack  
and our friendly enquiries team will  
ensure we get back to you.

**Good luck and see you soon!**

# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

## COMPLETE



## YOU ARE HERE

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### WELCOME EVENT (Previously known as Taster Day)

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 we are unable to invite you to spend a day in College with us, so we are going virtual instead!

In this Welcome Pack you will find information and activities that you can do to ensure you have a smooth transition on to your chosen course.

#### SAY HELLO

Look out for our 'Say Hello' sessions for a chance to meet your tutors and our support teams so you can ask any questions before you start.

## COMING UP NEXT

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### PRE-ENROLMENT - APPLY FOR TRANSPORT AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

During July you will receive more information about how to apply for your bus and any financial support you might need with video guides and FAQs to assist you. Staff are also on hand remotely to help you with your applications.

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### ENROLMENT

During August more information about how to enrol on to your course will be emailed to you.

You will need to complete some forms and upload your certificates online after GCSE results day, You won't need to travel to College, or queue.

Enrolment is where you officially become a College student and we will issue you a timetable and plan for your induction.

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### INDUCTION

Due to COVID-19 we are working hard to design an exciting induction that will be a mix of online delivery and also some time on site at College.

Getting to know staff and students will be paramount and there will be lots of support for those that will be naturally a bit nervous about this whole new chapter.

Your first six weeks are really important, and we will work hard to ensure you are on the right course, and are feeling settled and supported to succeed.



Click play to watch a welcome message, and find out more about how you will apply for transport and uniform from our Student Services Manager, Phil.

# MEET THE TEAM

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**Bernadette Fitzpatrick**  
Student Advisor



**Hannah Chamberlain**  
Animal Studies Lecturer



**Mikalia Johnson**  
Animal Studies Lecturer



**Paige-Lauren Shaw**  
Animal Technician



**Becky Moore**  
Animal Studies Lecturer



**Steve Daniels**  
Animal Studies Lecturer



**Teresa Colman**  
Animal Studies Lecturer



**Nicola Entwistle**  
Animal Unit Coordinator



**Lewis Griffin**  
Animal Technician



**Kate Michael**  
Head of Department

# ACTIVITIES

## 1 Pick your chosen career in the animal sector and produce an information leaflet

**TASK:** Discuss the role and responsibilities of the chosen career. What steps would you need to take in order to get into it?

**WHAT YOU WILL NEED:**

- Access to the internet for research
- Word processing document

**HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO YOUR COURSE?** This will teach you to look at the different careers available in the animal sector, understand the requirements of them, what steps you'll need to take in order to get there and what things you'll need to learn for that role.

## 2 Kahoot quiz on general knowledge of Animal Management

**TASK:** Log into the quiz [here](#). You can download the Kahoot app to take part on your phone. **The game pin is: 0467839**

**WHAT YOU WILL NEED:**

- Access to Kahoot on a smartphone or a computer.

**HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO YOUR COURSE?** This quiz will get you thinking about your general knowledge of animal management. It will also give you an insight into the kinds of things you will be studying with us.

## 3 Feed session review

**TASK:** Watch the videos of our team feeding the Meerkats. You should write down what you see.

- What are they feeding the meerkats and why you think that is.
- How they are feeding them and why?
- How are our technicians are adhering to health and safety?
- Tell me about the enclosure, is it suitable why/why not?
- What would you do differently?

**WHAT YOU WILL NEED:**

- The link to the video [here](#).

**HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO YOUR COURSE?** This task will get you thinking about how and why we work the way we do in the animal studies unit, it links in nicely with some of the modules you will be studying with us and gives you a sneaky peek into our department!



# FURTHER READING & RESEARCH

## Suggested magazines:

- Your Dog magazine
- BBC Wildlife Magazine



## Online resources:

- [BBC Nature](#)  
Explore the nature programming on BBC2
- [The College of Animal Welfare](#)  
An A to Z of Animal Career Profiles
- [Careers with Animals](#)  
Want to work with animals and find great animal jobs but don't know where to start? Try this website.



## TV series:

David Attenborough's BBC documentary series are highly valuable.

# MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING



It is really important that College is an environment that promotes your wellbeing and proactively supports your wellbeing and charter that sets out our commitment to you to achieve this, and encourage all our students to engage with our '5 Ways to Wellbeing' which can be found [here](#).



## Coronavirus and Your Mental Health

If you're worried about the impact of coronavirus on your mental health, you are not alone. The COVID-19 pandemic is a new and uncertain time for all of us and will affect our mental health in different ways. However you are feeling right now is valid. With the right help and support, we can get through this together.



Young Minds has lot of tips, advice and guidance on where you can get support for your mental health during this time

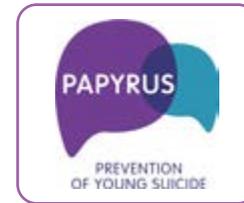
<https://youngminds.org.uk>



Cruse offer support, advice and information to children, young people and adults when someone dies.

**01223 633536**

<https://www.cruse.org.uk>



PAPYRUS is the national charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide.

Call: **0800 068 4141**

Text: **07860039967**

Email: [pat@papyrus-uk.org](mailto:pat@papyrus-uk.org)

<https://papyrus-uk.org>



If you are 18 or under Childline is a FREE, confidential service available any time, day or night.

**0800 1111**

[www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)



Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere.

**Text Shout to 85258**

[www.giveusashout.org](http://www.giveusashout.org)



The Mix offers support services for young people. Call 4pm - 11pm everyday.

**0808 808 4994**

[www.themix.org.uk](http://www.themix.org.uk)

# Ask us a question!



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