

Writtle College Library

Further Education Help Guide

Animal Care/Veterinary Nursing



This guide is intended to highlight only the main information sources for Further Education students – there may be other areas of the Library which are useful.

The main types of materials are books, journals and media resources. Please do not hesitate to ask for help and advice as needed when using the library

Books

Books are arranged under the Dewey class system (which runs from 000-999) each subject area has its own number for example, Animals 636

Quick Classification Guide

Zoology	591
Animal Behaviour	591.5
Entomology (Insects)	595.7
Wild Birds	598.2
Mammals	599
Animal Welfare	636.083
Veterinary Science/Nursing	636.089
Horses	636.1
Cattle	636.2
Sheep	636.3
Pigs	636.4
Poultry	636.5
Birds	636.6
Dogs	636.7
Dog Grooming	636.70833
Cats	636.8
Companion Animals/Pets	636.9
Small Animal Care/Management	636.9083
Exotic Pets	636.9089
Fish	639.34

Dictionaries, directories etc

- Encyclopedia of Animal Behaviour
- The Henston Small Animal Veterinary Vade Mecum
- The Henston Companion Animal Vet Vade Mecum
- Merck Veterinary Manual
- Blacks Veterinary Dictionary
- The Dog Law Handbook

Journals/Magazines

Journals and magazine are arranged in alphabetical order by title. They contain specialised articles and are a good source of information on current research and practice. Some are indexed and/or have contents pages. This is not an exhaustive list and other library journals may be of use for your course as many cross over.

Key journals/magazines

- Animal Behaviour
- Animal Welfare
- Anthrozoos
- Cats Today
- Dogs Today
- European Journal of Companion Animal Practice
- Government Veterinary Journal
- Journal of Small Animal Practice
- Kennel and Cattery Management
- SCAS Journal (Society for Companion Animal Studies)
- Veterinary Nursing Journal
- Veterinary Record
- Veterinary Technician

Electronic/Media Information

Computers are available for use at all times during library opening hours. All machines run Microsoft Office, Internet and many other applications.

The libraries online catalogue (OPAC) can be used to locate specific books and magazines that are relevant to your course. You can also find out here if items are available and where to find items on the shelves.

Key DVDs/Videos

DVDs and Videos provide information on a wide range of topics. Some potentially useful ones include:

- Wildlife Diaries Boxset
- Puppies: the first six weeks
- Mating
- Whelping
- Animal Behaviour: Mechanisms of Imprinting
- Life in the Undergrowth
- Life in the Freezer
- Wildlife Specials DVD Collection
- Trials of Life
- Life of Birds
- Killer Instinct : Lizards
- Killer Instinct : Snakes

For more information on other services offered by the library, e.g. photocopying, computing and I.T, please ask a member of staff in the library or refer to the FE guide on the library pages of Moodle <http://moodle.writtle.ac.uk/>

Online Resources

Internet for Veterinary Medicine

<http://www.vts.intute.ac.uk/tutorial/veterinary/>

Tutorial for developing Internet skills in Veterinary Medicine

Internet Detective

<http://www.vts.intute.ac.uk/detective/>

A free online tutorial designed to help students develop the critical thinking required for their Internet research. The tutorial offers practical advice on evaluating the quality of websites and highlights the need for care when selecting online information sources to inform university or college work.

Useful websites

- AHIS – Animal Health Information Specialists - <http://www.ahis.org/>
- Animal Health Trust - <http://www.aht.org.uk/>
- Animal Welfare Information Centre - <http://www.nal.usda.gov/awic>
- ARKive - <http://www.arkive.org/>
- Association of British Wild Animal Keepers - <http://www.abwak.co.uk/>
- BBC Science & Nature: Pets - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/nature/animals/pets/>
- British Veterinary Nursing Association - <http://www.bvna.org.uk/>
- Community Animal Welfare Society - <http://www.caws.org/>
- DEFRA - <http://www.defra.gov.uk>
- Disease Information - http://www.oie.int/eng/info/hebdo/a_INFO.HTM
- Dog Breeders Association - www.dog-breeds.co.uk
- Dog Grooming - <http://www.dog-grooming.net/>
- Feline Health Videos - <http://www.vet.cornell.edu/fhc/video/index.htm>
- Feline Husbandry -
<http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/CCAH/felinehusbandry.cfm>
- Image Database - <http://imagedb.vetmed.wsu.edu>
- International Veterinary Information Service - <http://www.ivis.org>
- NetVet: The Electronic Zoo - <http://netvet.wustl.edu/>
- NOAH – National Office of Animal Health - <http://www.noah.co.uk/>
- Pet Columns - <http://vetmed.illinois.edu/petcolumns/>
- Pet Diets - <http://www.petdiets.com/>
- Pet Health Council - <http://www.pethealthcouncil.co.uk/>
- Practical Animal Handling Tutorial -
<http://www.ahwla.org.uk/site/tutorials/BVA/BVA01-Title.html>
- RSPCA - <http://www.rspca.org.uk/>
- UK Sport – www.uk-sport.gov.uk
- VetNurse - <http://www.vetnurse.co.uk/>
- Veterinary Nurse Training Online -
<http://www.veterinarynursetrainingonline.org/>
- Wildlife Information Network - <http://www.wildlifeinformation.org/>

If you need any further help please contact your Subject Librarian – Christina Harbour - Christina.Harbour@writtle.ac.uk