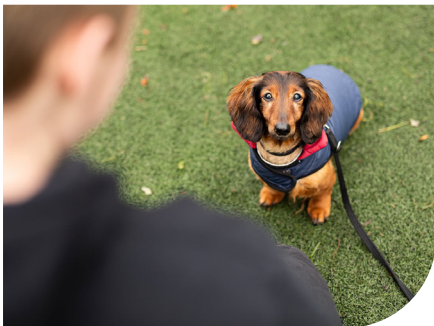


BSc (Hons) Canine Clinical Behaviour (Top-up)

If you have completed your Foundation degree in a canine-related subject, or you already have considerable canine knowledge, why not extend your learning for a year and top-up to a full BSc (Hons) in Canine Clinical Behaviour?

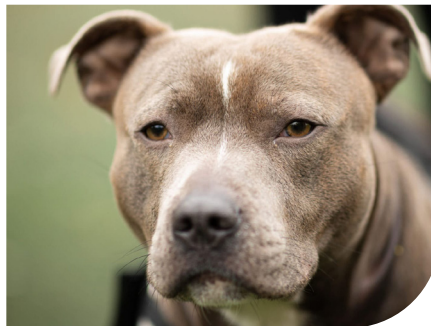
Recent figures have shown there are now over 13 million dogs in the UK, with 34% of households having a dog (World Animal Foundation 2023), and sharp increases in the number of dogs presenting with behavioural issues (PDSA, 2021). Subsequently, there is an ever growing demand for a range of canine-related services including professional dog trainers, behaviourists, dog walkers and sitters, kennel managers, rehabilitation of rescue dogs, and specialised training for assistance dogs in several categories, amongst others.



Course Overview

This course provides further opportunity for students to build on their knowledge, enhancing professional, academic and transferable skills. The top-up year ensures students develop a broad range of industry-relevant skills, suitable for self-employment or other canine professional roles following graduation.

The emphasis of this course focuses on canine welfare, clinical behaviour and ethical issues associated with domestic dogs throughout a variety of contexts and circumstances.



Course Features

- Flexible course structure – ideal preparation for working in a range of professional canine related roles involving the welfare, training or behaviour modification of dogs
- Exciting guest lecturers (with their dogs!)
- Partnerships with industry
- All weather training facilities



Career Options

- Dog trainer
- Dog behaviourist
- Working in charity and rescue centres
- Security dog work
- Scent dog work
- Assistance dog work
- Detection dog work

Year 1

Modules include

- Clinical Behaviour and Management
- Dissertation
- Canine Injury and Rehabilitation
- Human-Canine Interactions
- Owner Behaviour and Consulting Skills

Teaching & Learning

Overall workload

Your overall workload consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, plus field trips. The following information gives an indication of how much time you will need to allocate to different activities at each year of the course:

Year 1: 14% of your time is spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Teaching, learning & assessment	170 hours
Independent study	1030 hours

Assessment & Feedback

Assessment

Assessments are designed to encourage both academic skills and skills valued in the workplace. They include a combination of different forms of coursework. Coursework may take many forms including: essays, reports, data processing, case studies, consultations, presentations, academic posters, seminar discussions, interviews, critical reviews and practical competency assessments and online assessments. For example you may be assessed in training plans and canine behaviour consultations with follow up support. All assessments will help you develop the essential skills you will need in the industry and as a graduate.

The assessments for this year consist of 100% coursework.

Feedback

Feedback is supplied via Turnitin or directly from the module tutor. The majority of submissions are made via Turnitin and feedback for coursework is provided within twenty working days after the submission date.

Written feedback will be supported verbally should the student require clarification. Formative assessment feedback will be provided at the time of completion where possible, with more detailed summative feedback for reports.

Timetable Information

Students will be able to access course timetables for the academic year in September.

Timetables are subject to change, but most students can expect to spend 2-3 days per week on campus.

How much will this course cost?

Tuition Fees

As a student at UCR, you will have two main costs to meet; your tuition fees and living costs.

Our full-time tuition fees for UK and EU students, entering University, can be found on our [student finance page](#). These fees are charged for each academic year of a course and are set by the college annually.

Tuition fees for international students can also be found on our [student finance page](#).

Additional Costs

Students may wish to purchase their own personal copies of recommended set-texts to assist them with their studies. A full list of recommended texts is made available prior to enrolment, however, our campus library boasts sufficient stocks of all major texts to support student learning, and the purchasing of texts is therefore advised but not compulsory.



How to Apply

Apply directly through UCAS



UCAS Code

C06C



Entry Requirements

Foundation Degree in Canine Behaviour and Training (or equivalent)



Start Date

September 2024 | September 2025



Course Length

Full-time: 1 year