

PG Cert in Animal Osteopathy

This Postgraduate Certificate equips qualified osteopaths with the knowledge and skills to apply their training to the evaluation, treatment and management of animals.

Taught by the Osteopathic Centre for Animals and validated by the UCO, the course focuses on the osteopathic examination, evaluation and treatment of equines and canines, but the principles can be used to apply to other animals.

You will learn about the behaviour, psychology and interactions of animals, their working and/or recreational environment and the implications this may have on their physical and psychological health. On completion you will have an applied understanding of functional anatomy, conformation and biomechanics and a critical understanding of how these relate to gait, force transference and the life of the animal.



For more information and to apply:
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Key features

- Strong emphasis on practical sessions, including dissection work and working with live animals in kennels and stables.
- Covers common patho-physiological and pathological changes in animals.
- Includes legal and ethical responsibilities of working with animals.
- Explore current thinking on animal welfare, animal husbandry and farriery, and how these relate to osteopathy.
- Teaching staff are experienced specialists.

Course structure & delivery

The course consists of two units with equal weighting:

- Functional Anatomy & Biomechanics in the Osteopathic Evaluation of Animals
- The Osteopathic Evaluation, Treatment & Management of Animals

Assessment & feedback

The course is assessed through both summative and formative assessments, including:

- a critically reflective account
- case reports
- case analysis
- practical skills assessment

Progression routes

Upon completion, graduates will be sufficiently confident and competent to apply their skills and expertise to the osteopathic treatment of animals. This may be as a sole practitioner, as part of a larger osteopathic team, or as part of a team of healthcare professionals working with animals, such as a veterinary practice.

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Student support

Our dedicated student support team provides support, advice and pastoral care to students to help them reach their full potential. Support is offered on a wide variety of issues including learning support, disability support, help with budgeting and finance, counselling and more.

Entry requirements

- Applicants must be registered as a practicing osteopath with the relevant regulatory authority or association, and must hold appropriate professional indemnity insurance.
- Students whose first language is not English must demonstrate written and spoken fluency equivalent to an IELTS score of 7.0.
- Students will be asked to sign a declaration that they have never been banned from working with or keeping animals.

Fees & funding

For details of course fees please contact the Osteopathic Centre for Animals on 01235 768055 or info@oca.uk.



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