VETERINARY POST GRADUATE UNIT
ON-LINE MODULES

Animals and Society
20 credit module

Commencing on 28th August 2017 this 100% on-line module is available to delegates working towards their PgDip/MSc in Veterinary Professional Studies, but can also be studied as stand-alone, non-credit bearing CPD.

Module Details:
The aim of this course is to introduce the role of social sciences in the study of animal health and of the impacts of animals in society (focusing on contemporary issues in Europe and Africa). It covers key concepts and qualitative research methods related to the application of social sciences to animal health issues. It also explores issues related to the roles of animals in different societies, differing scientific paradigms and the role of research in policy and decision-making.

Themes include:
- Human-Animal Interactions (which includes societal views on health, animals as risk and the interplay between human and animal health);
- Science, Evidence & Policy (which includes Science, uncertainty & decision-making, Animal disease control and Animal health controversies);
- Animals & Livelihoods (which covers Engaging communities, Animals & international development and Animal Care in low and middle income countries).

The teaching and learning strategy allows students to study at a distance in an online forum that encourages interaction between professional peers as well as the teaching staff, while maintaining flexibility to be available to working professionals on a part time basis. The module comprises introductory lectures and tutorials that enable debate and reflection and uses guided and self-directed preparatory reading. Assessment is through contribution to tutorials, the online learning log, and an essay.

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