

Animal Husbandry School Rules and Regulations

All normal college policies will apply on the Animal Husbandry School, but the following list details more specific rules which must be followed at all times for health and safety of animals and people.

- Animal welfare must be considered at all times
- No animal will be handled unless in the presence of either a member of the practical staff or lecturing staff
- Always handle the animals with care and consideration (follow given instructions and guidelines)
- All watches to be removed when handling any animal
- No smoking, vaping, eating, chewing gum or drinking at any times within the AHS rooms
- Dress appropriately and always wear uniform or a housecoat and safety boots when working in the animal unit. Incorrect PPE will result in students not being able to take part in any animal related practical
- Students need to have a face mask with them for all practical sessions as it will be required for specific areas (primates, birds, other areas as directed by staff)
- Jewellery, nail varnish, false nails or long fingernails are not to be worn during practical sessions (plasters/tape to cover jewellery are not permitted). Jewellery must be stored safely in a bag/locker and not in the pockets of uniform/housecoat
- Hair to be tied back at all times away from the face and away from animals
- Animal enclosures may only be accessed via appropriate doors when opened by staff, jumping or climbing into enclosures is not permitted
- Always wash hands with hot water and soap on entering and leaving the animal care unit and when moving between rooms
- Do not use strongly perfumed substances such as perfume or aftershave, no aerosol sprays are to be used while in the AHS building

- Any accident, however minor, must be reported to a member of staff immediately and an accident record must be completed
- Electronic devices are not allowed on the unit and should be left in a locked locker. Students may use electronic devices for evidence gathering when permission is granted
- Photographs are not permitted to be taken of the animals unless agreed by a member of staff. Photographs are not to be used for social media purposes
- Unless staff are on the unit, doors must be kept locked at all times
- Authorised personnel only allowed in the unit
- No students are allowed into the isolation unit
- Students must always behave in a considerate and appropriate manner. Unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated and students will be asked to leave the AHS
- If you suspect that you are or could be pregnant you must notify the AHS manager asap to allow for a risk assessment to take place
- Failure to wear the correct PPE, or behave in an inappropriate manner that places, yourself, others or the animals at risk will result in immediate disciplinary action
- Failure to follow instructions and no contact policies will result in immediate disciplinary and animal house bans