

MINOR IN ANIMAL STUDIES

Overview

Animal Studies is an emerging and socially engaged field that explores the ethical, religious, philosophical, political, and sociocultural aspects of animal-human relationships. Animal Studies is concerned with the full range of historical and contemporary dimensions of humans' relations with other living beings, including the great diversity in humans' cultural attitudes toward the non-human world, the roles and representations of animals in human societies, and our moral responsibilities toward non-human animals. As such, the academic interest in Animal Studies mirrors a growing sensitivity to the plight of animals found within the broader society.

The Minor in Animal Studies proposes to engage students with ethical questions about the human co-existence with other species. It shares many of the theoretical perspectives, social and animal justice goals, and pedagogical tools of other advocacy-oriented disciplines.

Program requirements

The table below includes only discipline-specific courses. Please refer to the Academic Regulations (<https://www.uottawa.ca/about-us/policies-regulations/academic-regulations/b-2-program-studies/>) for information on including a minor to your degree.

Compulsory Courses

AHL 2110	Introduction to Animal Studies I	3 Units
AHL 2111	Introduction to Animal Studies II: Fieldwork	3 Units
ANT 3106	Environmental Anthropology	3 Units
BIO 1300	The Human Animal	3 Units
PHI 2100	Animal Ethics	3 Units
SRS 2172	Religion, Animals, Nature	3 Units

Optional Courses

6 course units from: 6 Units

ART 2952 Drawing: Animals, Humans and other living forms

CML 3145 Animals and the Law

EAS 3103 Indigenous Spiritualities in the Americas

FEM 3109 Feminism, Animality and Posthumanism

6 course units from: 6 Units

ENG 2141 Literature and the Environment

ENV 1101 Global Environmental Challenges

ENV 2301 History of Environmental Thought

GEG 1301 The Physical Environment

GEG 1302 Places and Spaces of Human Activity

GEG 3114 Biogeography

PHI 2396 Bioethics

PHI 2398 Environmental Ethics

SOC 3105 Environmental Sociology

SRS 3119 Shamanic Traditions

Total: 30 Units