

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

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| 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

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| ART 2952 | Drawing: Animals, Humans and other living forms |
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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