



ACM30321 Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care (EX300)

Application and Workplace Suitability Form

This document is to confirm that the applicant applying to enrol in ACM30321 Certificate III in Wildlife and Captive Animal Care has employment or volunteer status at your zoological/wildlife facility. We also need to confirm that your workplace has appropriate facilities/equipment and will provide supervision and training in a safe working environment.

The applicant will require a workplace supervisor/mentor to provide appropriate supervision and guidance in the workplace and to act as a Third Party Observer when the applicant undertakes assessment based workplace duties or tasks.

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Introduction

This course is a general industry qualification for persons operating at pre-trade level and undertaking animal care functions in an exhibited animal facility or institution.

Entry requirements

You must have:

- completed a minimum of Year 11 at secondary school
- a minimum of 8 hours work placement per week, in paid or volunteer work in an approved exhibited animal facility for the duration of the course (pet shops are not a suitable placement facility)
- completed a workplace suitability form
- access to a computer with WIFI capabilities, a microphone and camera to attend remote classes
- a minimum of 3 to 6 months of work experience in an approved exhibited animal facility

Delivery of the course

The course is delivered as a blended delivery model combining scheduled weekly online classes with hands-on practical experience that applicants' gain from their workplace.

Blended delivery is designed for individuals who have employment or work in a volunteer role in a zoological or wildlife facility. It ensures that applicants are trained in real-life environment, and gain workplace exposure to different species, including exotic and native species as required by the qualification.

A blended delivery model does not require applicants to attend campus, but they will engage in their learning via weekly remote delivery sessions (MS Teams). The practical requirements of the course will be completed within the workplace environment to ensure that the applicants meet industry standards and expectations.

This means that applicants are not required to attend campus, but it is expected that they will be able to use all facilities to meet all practical requirements of the course.

Entry to the Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care does not require prior completion of any other qualifications.

Course Structure

ACM30321 Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care comprises twelve (12) core units of competency and four (4) elective units delivered over 1 and a half years.

ACMBEH302	Provide enrichment for animals
ACMEXH301	Work within a zoological facility
ACMEXH303	Prepare and maintain animal habitats
ACMEXH304	Assist with capturing, restraining and moving animals
ACMGEN301	Prepare and present information to the public
ACMGEN303	Assess the welfare status of an animal
ACMGEN304	Promote positive wellbeing in self and others in animal care workplaces
ACMGEN311	Maintain and monitor animal health and wellbeing
ACMGEN312	Provide nutritional requirements for animals
ACMGEN315	Communicate effectively with clients and team members
ACMSUS401	Implement and monitor environmentally sustainable work practices
ACMWHS301	Contribute to workplace health and safety processes

Elective Units

ACMBEH301	Identify behaviours and interact safely with animals
ACMEXH305	Monitor animal reproduction
ACMEXH309	Contribute to exhibit design and renovation planning
ACMGEN314	Identify animal anatomy and physiology for animal care work

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This section to be completed by the applicant

Name:

Phone: Email:

Name of zoological or wildlife facility where you have employment or volunteer position

Name:

Address:

Do you have paid employment or volunteer position?

Paid employment or volunteer position

When did you commence your position at the above facility?

You must have been working for at least 3 – 6 months prior to course commencement.

If you have been in this position for less than 3 months, please provide details of any previous experience, including a current resume detailing your position/s and the tasks undertaken, and a letter of referral from your previous facility.

This section to be completed by the workplace supervisor to confirm that (applicant name) has employment or a volunteer position and will be supported during their course.

Supervisor's name:

Phone:Email:

I confirm that our workplace has appropriate facilities/equipment and will provide supervision and training in a safe working environment.

We also agree to provide a workplace supervisor/mentor to provide appropriate supervision and guidance in the workplace and to act as a Third-Party Observer when the applicant undertakes assessment-based workplace duties or tasks.

I have..... years of exhibited animal industry experience (at least 5 years).

I agree to provide supervision by way of **ALL** of the following (*please tick **all** to acknowledge*):

- Ensuring the safety of the applicant;
- Mentoring the applicant;
- Overseeing supervised training at the above-named facility (min. 8 hours/week);
- Assisting the applicant with their learning progress;
- Provide the student with the required opportunities within the workplace to meet the practical and theory requirements of the course; and
- Verifying the applicant's ability to successfully perform tasks to industry standard by signing third-party supplementary evidence or/and third-party checklists.

I confirm the applicant will have access to the following equipment and facilities in our workplace:

- Minimum 2 different species with at least 3 different animals
- Bedding and housing: species specific
- Animal care facility or workplace
- Enrichment items: species specific
- Licensed zoological facility
- Species specific food and water requirements
- Weighing scales: species specific
- Species specific enclosures
- Cleaning equipment specific to different species requirements
- PPE and safety signs
- Equipment to restrain and move different animal species
- Transportation containers for different species
- Visual barriers
- First aid equipment
- Telephones, access to digital media, communication equipment
- Receptacles for disposal or recycling of waste

Supervisor's signature:

Date: