The College of Animal Welfare

Disability & Neurodiversity Statement





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"We understand the many challenges faced by our neurodivergent learners and we are committed to making The College of Animal Welfare a safe, empathetic and fully-inclusive learning environment."

CAW Neurodiversity Pledge 2020

The college recognises that neurodivergent and disabled students are an integral part of our academic community. Accessible and appropriate provision is a core element of the overall service we provide and we positively welcome applications from anyone with a disability or neurodiverse condition. We have developed a considered, student-centred and flexible approach to all learner needs.

Our staff are committed to removing barriers to access and to providing a truly inclusive and equitable learning environment that fosters a quality experience. We look forward to welcoming you at one of our state-of-the- art centres.

How do I find out about the courses on offer at each centre?

You can visit our website at www.caw.ac.uk or call us on 01480 422060

Will my disability prevent me from getting to the classroom?

Each of CAW's five centres have lecture rooms and toilet facilities that are accessible to all.

The centre you attend will seek to re-locate classes if access becomes difficult for you.

What advice and support is available?

- Dedicated team of friendly and professional specialist staff.
- Dyslexia Adviser who can provide screening, diagnosis and dyslexia tuition services.
- Networked IT suites with assistive technology and wireless connectivity.
- Loan equipment service including laptops and digital recorders.
- Support with Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) applications.
- Specialist support offering advice and training with assistive technologies.
- A user friendly and transparent complaints procedure.
- E library facilities.

Disclosure

You do not have to disclose your disability to the college however please carefully consider the advantages of doing so. When you disclose a disability or neurodivergent condition, the college will do all that it can to identify and arrange appropriate support to meet your individual needs.



Our Customer Advice Team (CAT)

We have a team of specially trained staff who can help with any questions or concerns that you may have. You can contact them on **01480 422060** or email **cat@caw.ac.uk**

Confidential Support

We offer confidential support to all current and prospective students. You do not need to register with us in order to speak to one of our advisers in confidence. You are however encouraged to register so that we can help you to identify the most appropriate support for your individual needs. We can also arrange for that support to be implemented as soon as possible, including the provision of all reasonable adjustments.

Thank you for choosing The College of Animal Welfare.

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CAW Training Centres

Huntingdon

The College of Animal Welfare, Headland House, Chord Business Park, London Road, Huntingdon, P239 2BQ TEL: 01480 422 060

North London

The College of Animal Welfare, Building 4, North London Business Park, Oakleigh Road South, New Southgate, London, N11 1GN

TEL: 0208 016 5305

Leeds

The College of Animal Welfare, Topcliffe Close, Capitol Park, Tingley, Leeds, West Yorkshire, P239 2BQ TEL: 0113 322 8048

Wigan

The College of Animal Welfare, 18 Beecham Court, Goose Green, Wigan, WN3 6PR TEL: 01942 932 585

Edinburgh

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9 South Gyle Crescent,

Edinburgh, EH12 9EB

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