MODULE SPECIFICATION PROFORMA

| Module Code: | ANM409 |
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| Module Title: | Introduction to Dog Behaviour and Training |
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| Level: | 4 | Credit Value: | 20 |
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| Cost <br> Centre(s): | GAAN | JACS3 code: <br> HECoS code: | C120 <br> 100523 |
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| School: | Social \& Life Sciences | Module <br> Leader: | Angela Winstanley |
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| Scheduled learning and teaching hours | 36 hrs |
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| Guided independent study | 164 hrs |
| Placement | 0 hrs |
| Module duration (total hours) | 200 hrs |

Guidance - normally, the university would expect to see the following amounts of contact time and independent learning time for taught modules as part of its Modular Curriculum Framework-

| Level | Credit volume | Overall <br> hours | learning | Contact <br> learning hours |
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| Level 3 | 20 credits | 200 hrs | 40 | 160 |
| Level 4 | 20 credits | 200 hrs | 36 | 164 |
| Level 5 | 20 credits | 200 hrs | 30 | 170 |
| Level 6 | 20 credits | 200 hrs | 24 | 176 |
| Level 7 | 20 credits | 200 hrs | 21 | 179 |


| Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards) | Core | Option |
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| Standalone module aligned to FdSc Animal Studies for QA and <br> assessment purposes | $\square$ | $\checkmark$ |


| Pre-requisites |
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| None |


| Office use only |  |  |
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| Initial approval: | $18 / 02 / 2019$ | Version no: 1 |
| With effect from: | $01 / 04 / 2019$ | Version no: |
| Date and details of revision: |  |  |

## Module Aims

1) Establish an understanding of basic dog behaviour and behaviour development
2) Introduce key concepts of dog training
3) Design practical training plans

## Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability
KS1 Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2 Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3 Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy
KS5 Information management skills
KS6 Research skills
KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills
KS8 Career management skills
KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, selfmanagement)
KS10 Numeracy

| At the end of this module, students will be able to |  | Key Skills |  |
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| 1 | Identify common canine behaviours and key stages of development | KS1 | KS3 |
|  |  | KS4 | KS5 |
|  |  | KS6 |  |
| 2 | Define key dog training terms and identify their application within dog training scenarios | KS1 | KS3 |
|  |  | KS4 | KS5 |
|  |  | KS6 |  |
| 3 | Design simple training plans for teaching basic behaviours | KS1 | KS3 |
|  |  | KS4 | KS5 |
|  |  | KS6 | KS8 |
|  |  | KS9 | KS10 |

Transferable skills and other attributes
Group work, research, problem solving, communication, and writing skills, reflective practice

## Derogations

## Assessment:

## Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Online Test - which will include questions relating to the behaviour of canines and their development and dog training terms and their application. This may include but not be limited to: interpreting body language, developmental periods, socialisation and factors which may influence behaviour. This is an in-class test.

Training plan - Students will develop and implement a training plan to train a simple behaviour using an appropriate method and technical terms, the plan will include a section on health and safety.

| Assessment <br> number | Learning <br> Outcomes to <br> be met | Type of assessment | Weighting <br> (\%) | Duration <br> (if exam) | Word count <br> (or equivalent if <br> appropriate) |
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| 1 | $1 \& 2$ | Multiple Choice <br> Questions | 40 | Up to 60 <br> mins | N/A |
| 2 | 3 | Practical | 60 | N/A | 1600 |

Learning and Teaching Strategies:
The module will include a range of learning and teaching techniques including online learning material, lectures, independent study and practical sessions.

Use will be made of case study materials and specialist guest demonstrators.

## Syllabus outline:

Introduction to dog behaviour
Interpreting body language
Dominance - a scientific evaluation
Appropriate socialisation and early training (crating, muzzling, ground rules \& boundaries) Introduction to learning theory - associative and non-associative learning processes
Key concepts of dog training - techniques, methods, equipment
Key terms and definitions - e.g. chaining, back chaining, reinforcement schedules Training plan development - health and safety, timing, logical steps, factors which may influence a plan.

## Indicative Bibliography:

## Essential reading

Handleman, B. (2010) Canine Behaviour A photo illustrated Handbook. 2nd edition WA. Dog wise

Horowitz, A (2014) Domestic Dog Cognition and Behaviour: The scientific study of canis familiaris. New York. Springer

Lindsay, S.R. (2000) Handbook of applied dog behaviour and training: Volume oneadaptation and learning. Iowa, USA. Iowa State University Press.

## Other indicative reading

ACVB (2015) Decoding Your Dog: Explaining Common Dog Behaviors and How to Prevent or Change Unwanted Ones. USA, First Mariner books.

McGreevy \& R. A., Boakes (2007) Carrots and sticks: Principles of animal training. London. Cambridge University Press.

Miklosi, A (2016) Social development and Evolution of the dog. $2^{\text {nd }}$ Edition, Oxford UK. Oxford University Press.

Pryor, P. (2002) Don't shoot the dog: The new art of teaching and training. Revised ed. Glos: Ringpress Books

Reference will be made to contemporary research articles and other resources such as:

- Applied Animal Behaviour Science
- Animal Welfare
- Anthrozoos - International society for anthrozoology http://www.isaz.net/

