Make your passion your career.

Master’s in Animal Science and Behavior

The Master of Professional Science in Animal Science and Behavior provides students with a deep understanding of animal and human interaction, with an emphasis on animal companionship, therapy and service, behavior, rehabilitation and welfare. Students develop leadership and management skills, and coursework in this degree prepares them for careers as animal trainers, rehabilitators, and managers or directors of animal service businesses.

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Program Features

+ One-on-one academic and professional advising as our world-class faculty and trained staff strive to make your professional and academic goals a reality.

+ Unity College is an accredited institution by New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

+ Experiential Online. Experiential programs are delivered 100% online with field work designed with the working professional in mind.

+ Study when and where you want and finish your degree while still working full-time.

+ Make professional connections with leaders in your field.

+ Get job placement assistance through our career services department.

+ Finish in 12 months if you choose to take the full course load.

Cost: $650 per credit
Military Discount: $585
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Animal Scientist
Median Salary: $60k
Growth: +7
Animal scientists are responsible for conducting research in the genetics, nutrition, reproduction, growth, and development of animals. They are responsible for communicating their findings and creating plans for future practices.

Zoologist
Median Salary: $63k
Growth: +4
Zoologists specialize in the study of animals and their ecosystems. Job tasks include; researching animal behavior, collecting zoological data for analysis, and contributing to the publication of scientific journals.

Farm Manager
Median Salary: $71k
Growth: +0
Farm Managers plan, direct, and coordinate the management and operation of farms, ranches, greenhouses, aquacultural operations, and nurseries. They hire, train, and supervise farm workers to carry out the day-to-day activities.

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Graduates of the Master’s in Animal Science and Behavior will be able to:

+ Identify sources of risk to humans and animals in their interactions, as well as processes to minimize risk or harm.

+ Identify and describe positive/fear-free training techniques for animals.

+ Compare and contrast companion, service, emotional support and therapy animals and the rules, regulations, laws and training encompassed by each group.

Animal Science Core
- ANIM 505 Animal Behavior and Modification
- ANIM 605 Advanced Animal Training
- ANIM 630 Emotional Support and Service Animals: Rules and Regulations

Professional Skills Core
- PROF 505 Strategic Management of Innovation
- PROF 510 Communication for Environmental Professionals
- PROF 515 Ethical Practice and Policy
- PROF 590 Capstone I
- PROF 690 Capstone II

Complete one of the following tracks:

Canine and Feline Health and Care Track
- ANIM 510 Canine and Feline Nutrition
- ANIM 610 Animal Shelter Best Practices and Management

Equine Health and Care Track
- ANIM 520 Equine Nutrition
- ANIM 620 Best Management Practices for Ranches and Stables