

ANIMAL SCIENCE

The Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences at the University of Copenhagen (UCPH) offers a two-year MSc programme in Animal Science taught entirely in English.



Profile

The MSc programme in Animal Science focuses on healthy animals and their performance and needs in a life-long perspective. As a student of animal science you will learn how to take a holistic approach to the field, taking into account all aspects of the biological and social systems involved. You will study how animals are used for human welfare while taking into consideration animal welfare and environment sustainability in a national and international perspective.

You will be able to create your own academic profile by choosing between a number of specialisations such as Production Animals, Companion Animals or Horses as well as a number of electives.

Key features:

- Interdisciplinary and holistic approach
- Choice of specialisation and thesis topic
- Wide range of compulsory, core and elective courses
- Research-based training at the highest academic level
- Prepares students for an internationally oriented career
- Varied teaching methods and project work



Structure and teaching methods

Teaching is research based and varies between lectures, classroom teaching and group work. Compulsory courses will give you a solid understanding of the specialisation you have chosen. Core courses and electives will further strengthen your academic profile. You may take your electives at the University of Copenhagen (UCPH) or at other universities in Denmark or abroad.

Career opportunities

Depending on which specialisation you choose you will be prepared for a growing number of jobs within many different sectors. Prospects include advisory and consulting jobs in consulting engineering firms, the financial sector, agricultural advisory services or international development organisations; strategic advising and/or management of experimental animal businesses; public management (municipalities, regions, ministries and governmental bodies in Denmark, the EU and international bodies); development or sales jobs in the industry and production sector; teaching at agricultural colleges, technical colleges or other kinds of course activities; and research in private companies, governmental research institutions and universities.





MSC in Animal Science – programme structure

The MSc programme in Animal Science is divided in two blocks per semester. In each block, you will have courses equivalent to 15 ECTS. The courses will be a mix of compulsory, core and elective courses. Your thesis is the final part of your degree. It is your opportunity to concentrate on an academic problem which interests you. You can make the thesis in collaboration with the private sector, for instance by working on a real life problem. You can learn more about the structure of the programme and the courses offered at the programme's website – see "Find out more".

Admission criteria

To apply for the MSc programme in Animal Science you must have completed a BSc degree in Animal Science or another relevant field (e.g. Natural Resources or Agriculture, Food and Environment with a relevant specialisation) or have corresponding qualifications at the bachelor level, which will be assessed on an individual basis. You must have earned your BSc degree a maximum of five years before the first semester of the Master's programme begins.

Applications must include a letter of motivation. An overall assessment is made on the basis of academic qualifications, including, in addition to grades, the relevance of the subjects studied, experience of experimental work and international experience. See also "Find out more".

Non-EU students are required to pay tuition fees. Current tuition fees (subject to change) for non-EU students per academic year: DKK 110,000 (approx. EUR 14,700).

Language requirements: IELTS 6.5; TOEFL 560 (paper) or 83 (Internet-based).

Application deadlines

15 January: non-EU/EEA citizens

1 April: EU/EEA and Swiss citizens

The introduction programme starts at the end of August.

Find out more

More information about the Faculty, the programme and application procedures and requirements is available at:

www.studies.ku.dk/masters/animal-science

www.healthsciences.ku.dk/education

More information about living in Denmark and studying at the University of Copenhagen (UCPH) is available at:

www.studies.ku.dk

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