# PVS0155 Animal Welfare and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, 3.0 credits

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## PhD course arranged by Graduate School for Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science (GS-VMAS) in collaboration with NOVA

**Course date:** June 17 – 20 2024

**Place:** Zoom

### COURSE CONTENT

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have a wide scope, but the role of our domesticated animals as well as wild animals, including fish, is hardly mentioned and their welfare is not mentioned at all. In this course the links between animal welfare and sustainability will be explored and in particular the synergies with different SDGs.

*On completion of the course, the student should be able to:*

• Assess relationships between animal welfare and the UN sustainable development goals and integrate animal welfare issues with their relevant sustainable development goals.

• Relate their own research to animal welfare and the UN sustainable development goals.

• Map and present some major knowledge gaps related to animal welfare and sustainable development.

• Actively participate in cross-disciplinary discussions on future challenges and solutions related to animal welfare and sustainable development.

This will be a distance course, held via Zoom and distributed over 4 days, but also with reading and individual project work before and afterwards. It will include workshops and student activating learning activities, and be structured according to the SLU Education on Sustainable Development (ESD) 5 learning competences (system thinking, anticipatory, normative, strategic and interpersonal competences). Activities will include interactions and cross-disciplinary knowledge transfer with other students and internationally well-known researchers, at least one working with animal welfare and one working with sustainable development. Although having its primary focus on farm animals, the course will be relevant to students working with all categories of animals.

### PREREQUISITES

Admitted to a postgraduate program in animal science, biology, veterinary medicine, food science, nutrition, nursing, or related subjects, or to a residency program in veterinary science

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**Last date of application: 20th May, 2024**

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