

## ZSL Zoo Academy (15-17) Schedule

Each day runs from 10:30 – 16:00 and includes a 30-minute lunch break.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Icebreaker, Health and Safety</li> <li>• Introduction to ZSL theory and enrichment</li> <li>• Welfare &amp; ethics theory</li> <li>• Animal visit &amp; feed</li> <li>• Begin making enrichment</li> <li>• Animal welfare activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nutrition theory</li> <li>• Record keeping theory</li> <li>• Animal visit and clean</li> <li>• Food preparation and animal feed</li> <li>• Body scoring activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animal behaviour and training theory</li> <li>• Behaviour study and animal enrichment</li> <li>• Enrichment preparation</li> <li>• Animal training demonstrations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservation Breeding programmes &amp; studbooks theory</li> <li>• Animal visit and clean</li> <li>• Camera Trap Activity</li> <li>• Enrichment preparation</li> <li>• Practical conservation skills activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enclosure design theory</li> <li>• Enrichment &amp; evaluation theory</li> <li>• Animal visit, clean and enclosure discussion</li> <li>• Design an animal enclosure</li> <li>• Animal visit and feed</li> <li>• Deliver enrichment</li> <li>• Receive certificates</li> </ul>

*Note – please be aware that the activities are subject to change at any time.*

### Zoo Academy (15-17) Theory Sessions

These sessions will focus on the key topics that will be being explored each day, covering elements of welfare, behaviour and training, nutrition, classification, and handling and restraint. The sessions are designed to give an insight into different animal groups and their management and to also highlight some of the different careers available and what they involve. On successful completion of the course, students will be presented with a certificate of participation.

### Zoo Academy (15-17) Practical Tasks

We have carefully selected practical tasks that are enjoyable yet appropriate for a group of young people. We risk assess all tasks and training is given to all participants. This allows you to gain exciting experiences of working in a zoological collection in a safe and managed way. A full induction is given on the first day of the course. Activities and practical tasks will be explained before you begin, and you are encouraged to ask questions. You will be supervised by a member of the education department and will also meet members of the keeping team and other Zoo staff. Each ZSL Zoo Academy course is designed for 12 students.