



**SUNY NIAGARA**  
**Animal Management, A.A.S.**

**Overview**

Turn your compassion for animals into biology-based care at SUNY Niagara. Students are prepared to work in public zoos, aquariums, shelters, and veterinary offices through hands-on experience in labs and internships. Our program covers all major phylum of the animal kingdom, exhibit design, and conservation; breeding graduates who are prepared to enter animal care careers and four-year biology programs.

**Careers**

Careers related to your program of study:

- Animal Breeder
- Animal Control Worker
- Animal Trainer
- Aquarist
- Conservation/Wildlife Biologist
- Kennel/Stable Attendant
- Laboratory Animal Caretaker
- Research Biologist/ Zoologist
- Veterinary Assistant
- Zookeeper

Some careers may require more specialized education.

**Contact**

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*Visit full catalog for specific course offerings for each semester:*

<https://sunyniagara.edu/courses/animal-management-a-a-s/>  
<https://tinyurl.com/ys23ryx9>

**Program Requirements**

**First Semester**

**Credits**

AMG 100 - Introduction to Animal Husbandry	2
AMG 201 - History of Zoos and Alternative Facilities	1
BIO 134 - Animal Behavior	3
BIO 205 - Zoology	4
BIO 205L - Zoology Lab	0
ENG 101 - Writing I	3
SPE ____ - Speech Elective	3

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**Total Credit Hours: 16 Cr.**

## Second Semester

AMG 102 - Zoonotic Disease	4
AMG 102L - Animal Management I Lab	0
AMG 202 - Record Keeping	1
BIO 208 - Ornithology	3
BIO 209 - Mammalogy	3
ENG 102 - Writing II OR	
ENG 103 - Writing for STEM	3
AMG 106 – Introduction to Entomology	2
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>16 Cr.</b>

## Summer Semester

AMG 103L - Animal Management	
Internship	2
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>2 Cr.</b>

## Third Semester

AMG 103 - Exhibit Design	1
AMG 104/L - Animal Reproduction w/ Lab	4
AMG 203 - Capture and Restraint	1
BIO 207 - Herpetology	3
BIO 210 - Aquarium Science	3
____ - Diversity: Equity, Inclusion & Social Justice	
General Education Elective	3
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>15 Cr.</b>

## Fourth Semester

AMG 105 - Conservation	4
AMG 105L - Animal Management IV Lab	0
AMG 205 - Animal Training	1
AMG 210/L - Vertebrate Morphology w/ Lab	3
BIO 255/L - Population Genetics w/ Lab	4
____ - Mathematics & Quantitative Reasoning	
General Education Elective	3
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>15 Cr.</b>

*The information provided is subject to change throughout the academic year. 3/9/2026*