

ACM20121 CERTIFICATE II IN ANIMAL CARE AT CURRUMBIN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY!

Applications are now open for an exclusive opportunity to study in a new pilot program delivered by Taronga Training Institute online and at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary! This new educational partnership, between two of Australia's most respected animal collection organisations, delivers entry level training for the animal care industry.



Course details:

- Study March to October 2025
- Learning and theory assessments completed independently online
- 16 onsite days at Currumbin throughout studies:
 - o Regular scheduled onsite classroom days at Currumbin to support studies with face-to-face trainer
 - o Four x practical assessment days onsite at Currumbin
- Regular group online video sessions will be scheduled with the trainer to support students with their studies
- Study in Year 11 or 12 OR in year 10 if turning 16 in 2025

Why study with us?

- Classroom and onsite sessions at Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary to support independent online studies
- Support from a trainer who is an expert in the animal care industry and is a current Keeper
- Introductory course for those interested in a career within the animal care industry
- The Taronga Training Institute (RTO 91359) is a well-respected training organisation delivering accredited animal care and management courses across the country since 2008
- Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary won Queensland's Best Major Tourism Attraction the last 3 years in a row, and won the Queensland Training Award 2022 and 2024 in the Medium Size Employer category



*Notes:

- Students must have written permission from their school Principal/ Careers Advisor/ Industry Liaison Officer to participate in the course
- Speak to your school to establish if the course cost can be subsidised by the school

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COST: \$3,620

\$2,000

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Who is the registered course provider?

- Taronga Training Institute, Registered Training Organisation No. 91359, is the course provider. Taronga is a leading wildlife tourism attraction and operates both Taronga Zoo Sydney and Taronga Western Plains Zoo Dubbo. All qualifications gained will be issued by Taronga Training Institute.

How is this course assessed?

- Course assessments are a combination of written answers, reports, case studies, projects, practical activities, observations of students performing tasks, self-assessments and supervisor reports.

What is a facilitated practical day?

- As a course requirement, all students must be assessed for specific practical requirements. In order to complete these requirements, it is necessary for students to be observed in a real working environment. A facilitated practical day involves students attending Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary and completing these practical requirements under the supervision of a qualified assessor. Morning routines of keeping staff are followed which means students will need to be on site ready for commencement as early as 7.00am.

Do I have to wear a uniform?

- When on site, Taronga Training Institute students are required to wear the Taronga Training Institute polo shirt which is provided.

I've filled in the EOI, when do applications open?

- Thanks for filling in the EOI. Applications are now open for students to complete additional required information and respond to selection criteria questions. Students must have written permission from their school Principal/ Careers Advisor/ Industry Liaison Officer to participate in the course.

How much does the course cost?

- Unfortunately, VETiS funding hasn't been secured for 2025 as the Queensland Government has yet to open the application process for new funding arrangements. This will now happen later in 2024 for 2026 intakes. The full fee course cost is usually \$3,620, however, for 2025, TTI will discount this cost to **\$2,000**. Speak to your school to establish if this cost can be subsidised by the school.

What day of the week will I need to attend Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary?

- The course will be run on Fridays (various Fridays throughout the schedule will be online attendance only).

I am a Homeschool student, can I study for this course fully online?

- Applications are open all year round for the online Certificate II in Animal Care course. Online students complete all their learning and theory assessments online, however, will still be required to attend Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary on four separate days to complete practical days. The cost for this fully online course remains at the full price as shown on the website.

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QCE Certificate II in Animal Care – Course Schedule

Date	Student Requirement	Location	Student Hours
7-Mar-25	Attend orientation session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 11:30am + Independent study
14-Mar-25	Independent online study	N/A	Student discretion
21-Mar-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
28-Mar-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
4-Apr-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
School Holidays			
25-Apr-25	Anzac Day Public Holiday – NO CLASS		
2-May-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
9-May-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
16-May-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
23-May-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
30-May-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
6-Jun-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
13-Jun-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
20-Jun-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
27-Jun-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
School Holidays			
18-Jul-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
25-Jul-25	Attend session – ASSESSMENT DAY	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – TBC
1-Aug-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
8-Aug-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
15-Aug-25	Attend session – ASSESSMENT DAY	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	7am – TBC
22-Aug-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
29-Aug-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
5-Sep-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
12-Sep-25	Attend online session	Microsoft Teams online	8:30am – 9:30am + Independent study
19-Sep-25	Attend session	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – 12:30pm
School Holidays			
10-Oct-25	Attend session – ASSESSMENT DAY	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	8:30am – TBC
17-Oct-25	Attend session – ASSESSMENT DAY	Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary	7am – TBC
24-Oct-25	Make up Day for all students	TBC	TBC