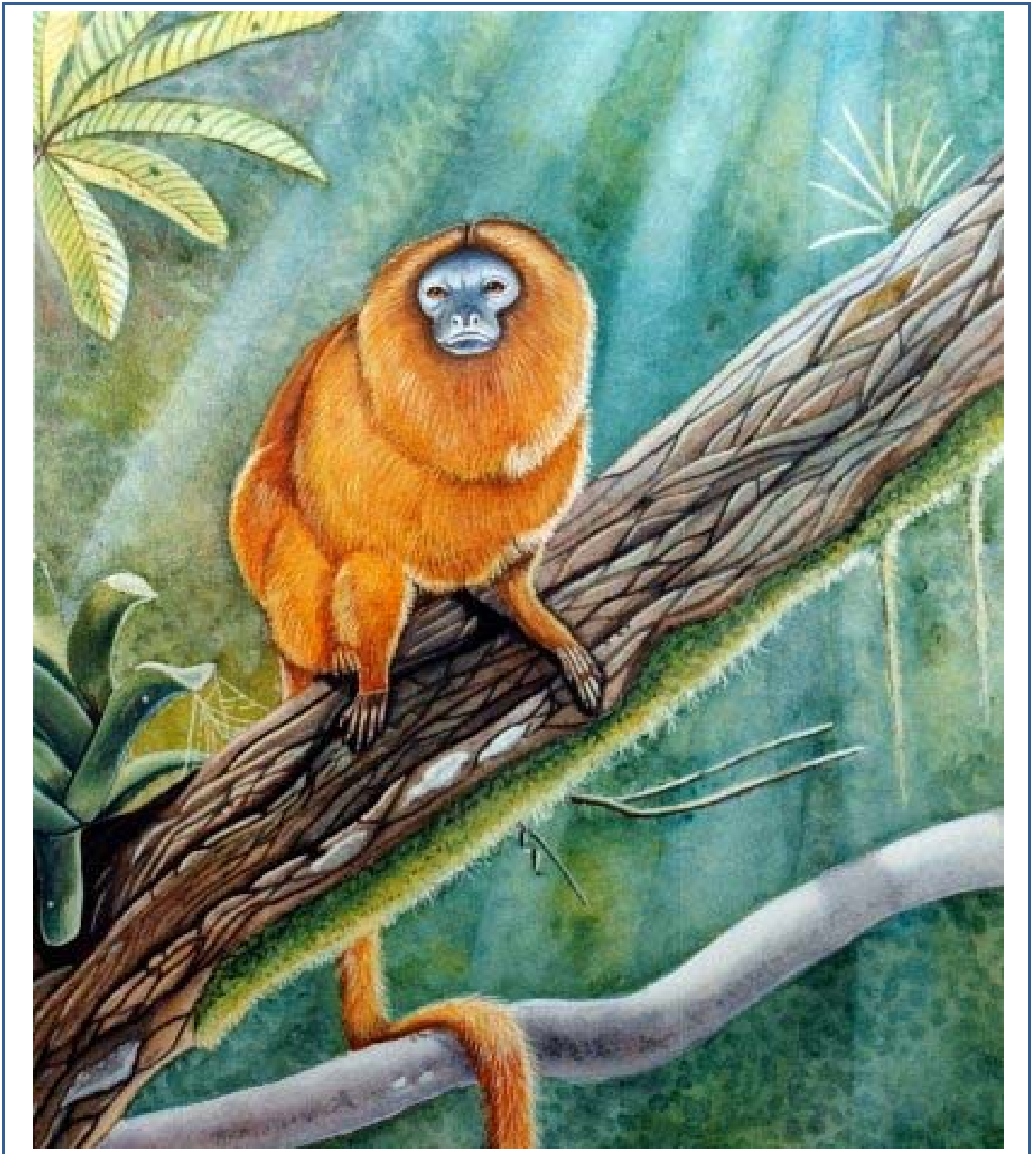


# Animal Ethics



Cambridge e-Learning Institute is now offering the new online certificate in Animal Ethics starting in Sep 2011.

Please note that if you are interested in taking the whole certificate or just some courses you need to have the Certificate in Critical Thinking. This is because Animal Ethics is built on concepts that are delivered in the Certificate on Critical Thinking.

The Certificate consists of five individual courses.

| Modules     |  | Credits    | Length (Months) |
|-------------|--|------------|-----------------|
| <b>AE01</b> | Introduction to Ethics                   | 40         | 2               |
| <b>AE02</b> | Ethical Theories                         | 40         | 2               |
| <b>AE03</b> | Moral Status of Animals                  | 40         | 2               |
| <b>AE04</b> | Attitudes to Animals                     | 40         | 2               |
| <b>AE05</b> | Applied Ethics & Ethical Decision Making | 40         | 2               |
|             | <b>TOTAL</b>                             | <b>200</b> | <b>8</b>        |

### Course Design

Each individual course runs online on a virtual learning environment and consist of 5 lectures. Each lecture is composed by reading materials, consisting of handouts, scientific papers, multimedia presentations, and a forum where you are required to discuss the issues assigned for each lecture.

Participation in the forum is compulsory, but each forum runs for 5 one or two weeks and you have plenty of time to login and provide your contribution.

Each forum is mediated by a tutor specialised in the subject. Usually these selected for their expertise and recruited from several Universities in the UK and abroad.

Each course ends with a small online examination and in some cases you may be required to write a short final assignment, but read the individual descriptions for each course.

AE01

# Introduction to Ethics



## Course Content

1. What is Ethics and why do we need it?
2. Overview of the main theories of ethics
3. Ethical reasoning
4. Terminology used in ethical arguments

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|--------|---------------|
| Cost   | £300          |
| Length | 2 months      |
| Tutor  | Anabela Pinto |
| Medium | online        |

### Assessment:

- Forums assessed contribution
- Online questionnaire consisting of multi-choice and written questions.

### Marks:

- A pass requires minimum 90% in examination.
- Compulsory contribution in all forums.

AE02

## ETHICAL THEORIES



|        |               |
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| Cost   | £300          |
| Length | 2 months      |
| Tutor  | Anabela Pinto |
| Medium | online        |

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**Marks:**

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**Course Content**

1. Relativism
2. Theory of Virtue
3. Deontology
4. Utilitarianism
5. Rights



AE03

# Moral Status of Animals



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| Cost   | £300          |
| Length | 2 months      |
| Tutor  | Anabela Pinto |
| Medium | online        |

### Assessment:

- Forums assessed contribution
- Online questionnaire consisting of multi-choice and written questions.

### Marks:

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## Course Content

1. Introductory concepts
2. Personhood
3. Animal Capacities
4. Evolution and Anthropocentrism

AE04

# Attitudes Towards Animals



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| Cost   | £300          |
| Length | 2 months      |
| Tutor  | Anabela Pinto |
| Medium | online        |

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### Course Content

1. Social Attitudes
2. Religious Attitudes
3. Philosophical Attitudes
4. Animal Rights



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**Course Content**

1. Models of ethical decision making
2. Animals in research
3. Farmed animals
4. Wild Animals and Conservation

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