



**Animal
Behavior
Institute™**

Enriching their lives & ours

Wildlife Rehabilitation Certificate Program

Do you want to help injured wildlife? Would you like to work as a rehabilitator, assisting with anything from orphaned squirrels to stranded whales to oil-drenched otters? Through our convenient and flexible **online** program we can give you the training and knowledge required to enter the field of wildlife rehabilitation.

What is Wildlife Rehabilitation?

Wildlife rehabilitation refers to the care and treatment of injured, orphaned or displaced wildlife. The ultimate goal of rehabilitation is to return healthy animals to the wild by fostering their release into appropriate habitats. Animals that cannot be released may be used for educational programs and outreach when appropriate. Consequently, those interested in rehabilitation careers should be knowledgeable in public speaking and environmental education, as well as animal care, nutrition and disease.

Our certificate program requires the completion of five courses:

- 1) Principles of Wildlife Rehabilitation
- 2) Wildlife Management
- 3) Animal Nutrition, Health & Disease
- 4) Environmental Education & Outreach
- 5) Animal Behavior



Employment & Career Opportunities

Opportunities for wildlife rehabilitators are available in both the public and private sectors. Most rehabilitators work in wildlife clinics, state nature centers or environmental education facilities, or as part of a larger institution (such as a zoo, aquarium, wildlife sanctuary or museum). Staff working in public agencies at the state and federal levels oversee, inspect, and advise clinics. Many facilities also employ educators to work with non-releasable wildlife in educational programs for the public.

Veterinary assistants and technicians may work in practices that provide services to wildlife clinics or rescue organizations. Finally, some wildlife rehabilitators work as volunteers, often running their own facilities in their home.

Let's Get Started!

Recently, a new standard in professionalism has emerged via the International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council's certification exam. Our Wildlife Rehabilitation certificate can provide you with the training you need to help prepare for the IWRC exam as you establish your credentials as a wildlife professional.

Only five courses are required to complete the program! Class sizes are kept small (max. 8) to ensure quality interaction between students and faculty. Consequently, space is limited and we recommend registering early to avoid being shut out of a course. Detailed information on tuition, financing and course offerings is available online at animaledu.com. You may also contact our program staff at support@animaledu.com or toll free at (866) 755-0448, ext. 1