

Interview and Taster Event Information

Animal Science and Conservation Department Level 3 Veterinary Diploma (Small Animals)

Thank you for completing your application. We are pleased that you have chosen to study with us at SGS College and look forward to meeting you.

Please read the following information in order to prepare for your Interview at our:

FILTON CAMPUS

Please report to Reception on arrival.

You must attend an Interview to secure a place on your chosen study programme.

This course is suited to mature students who aspire to gain a registered professional qualification in a highly competitive, demanding industry. Ideal candidates should have substantial experience in the veterinary, animal care/welfare industry with a keen interest in animal science and have high levels of professionalism.

Your final offer is subject to meeting standard conditions such as:

- ✓ Reference(s)
- ✓ Grades (5 GCSE's grade A-C/9-5 Including Maths, English and Science)
- ✓ Successful Taster/Skills Test
- ✓ Attendance %
- ✓ Placement in an approved training practice is essential (See www.rcvs.org.uk for support)

There may also be additional entry requirements specific to your study programme which your interviewer will discuss with you on the day.

Prior to Interview/What to bring with you...

(In addition to the requirements stated in your invitation)

- ✓ Read the Interview Checklist for your chosen subject area, this will help you prepare for the areas that will be covered at interview, and highlight any questions you may wish to ask.
- ✓ You need to prepare a **handwritten** document (at least one A4 side) answering the following questions...
 - What are you doing at the moment (at school, work etc.)?
 - What do you enjoy about it?
 - What are the skills and qualities required for a Veterinary Nurse?
 - What would you like to do after you complete your study programme at SGS?
 - What sort of personal interests do you have?
 - Where do you see yourself in 5 years' time within the area of Veterinary Nursing?

Interview Structure

Whilst you are in College you will receive...

- A 1:1 interview with one of our Veterinary Nurses on the team, you will be in College for approximately 30-45 mins for your interview.

Interview and Taster Event Information

Animal Science and Conservation Department Level 3 Veterinary Diploma (Small Animals)

- Information about our **Money Management Service Team** who will advise you about the support they can offer with payments, bursaries, loans and any other financial queries you may have.
- Additional information about the current practices that we work with.

There will be plenty of opportunity to ask any questions throughout your appointment to help you feel fully prepared for your start in September 2018.

Interview appointments are available within the below slots...

Monday 4th December 10.00-13.00pm

Monday 11th December 1.30pm-3.00pm

Monday 19th January 2018, 1.30pm – 3.00 pm

Monday 19th February 2018, 10:00am – 13:00pm

Monday 16th April 2018 1.30pm-3.00pm

Monday 29th May 2018, 10:00am – 13:00pm

Monday 9th July 2018, 10:00 – 13:00pm

Spaces are limited for each date so please ensure that you have been allocated an appropriate date/time. If you cannot attend your appointment for any reason please contact our **Admissions Department 01453 761165**, who will be able to arrange another date/time for you. *Please note: if you miss multiple interview dates, this may have a negative impact on your application.*

Should you at any time decide not to take up your place on the course, we would be pleased if you would let us know so that we can offer the place to another applicant if needed.

We hope you have all the information you need at this time. However if you do need anything further please contact our Dept. Administrator on 0117 9092 220 or email Samantha.bawn@sgscol.ac.uk

What Happens Next?

Once you have successfully completed your interview you will receive a letter from us confirming your final offer. If you do not meet the entry requirements you may be offered another level or study programme. Joining Instructions will be sent July 2018.

Within the next week or so, you will also receive a survey via email asking how your interview went and if there is any else we can help you with. We value your feedback to help us improve each year!

Please note we cannot confirm your final timetables until your first day in College. This is due to the fact timetabling takes place across the whole College during summer break and is subject to change during this time.