

# **Taronga Training Institute**



# ACM20121 CERTIFICATE II IN ANIMAL CARE AT CURRUMBIN WILDLIFE SANCTUARY!

Express your interest now 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 February to September 2025
- Learning and theory assessments completed independently online
- 17 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
- Students must be in either Year 11 or 12 to apply

## 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 wellrespected 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 in the Medium Size Employer category

#### <u> "Notes:</u>

- Minimum 20 students required for course to proceed
- Students must have written permission from their school Principal/ Careers Advisor/ Industry Liaison Officer to participate in the course
- A \$150 student contribution is required in addition to the VETiS funding. Speak to your school to establish if this cost can be subsidised by the school.

# SCAN TO REGISTER INTEREST



COST: It is our intent to offer the course with VETIS funding in 2025





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# **FAQs**

### 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 will open in September 2024. A minimum number of 20 students is required for the course to proceed. 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?

- It is our intent to offer the course with VETiS funding in 2025. A \$150 student contribution is required in addition to the VETiS funding. Speak to your school to establish if this cost can be subsidised by the school.

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

Applications are open all year round for the online Certificate II in Animal Care course. Online students can 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 assessment days.

