



BVBA Veterinary Studies Award 2017

Information for applications

What is the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award?

The British Veterinary Behaviour Association is an affiliate of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association (BSAVA) and is an educational group open to anyone working in or affiliated with the field of companion animal behaviour. Recognising a need to support the study of behaviour by students enrolled for Higher Education qualifications in the veterinary profession, the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award was launched in September 2016.

What does the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award include?

- Two awards will be presented, a winner* and a runner-up
- Free membership to BVBA (April 2017 - December 2018)
- Access to BVBA webinars throughout the year
- Attendance to BVBA Study Day in April 2017
- £150 travel grant for accommodation and travel for study day
- *The award winner will also receive £200

Who is eligible to apply for this award?

Students registered as studying a Higher Education veterinary medicine or veterinary nursing degree accredited by the RCVS based at a UK institution. Higher Education degrees are defined as those that on completion would enable the student to enter the RCVS register as a veterinary surgeon; and for veterinary nurses, to enter the RCVS Register of Veterinary Nurses.

What is the application process?

Institutions offering Higher Education veterinary courses have been invited to nominate ONE of their students for a chance to receive the award. Institutions may use whatever selection process they prefer to identify a student they would like to nominate.

Accompanying the institution's nomination, the student will need to prepare a personal statement of no more than 1000 words telling us:

- *Why are you interested in behaviour?*
- *How is behaviour relevant to the veterinary profession?*
- *What would receiving this award mean to you?*

Institutions must inform the BVBA of their nomination and submit their student's personal statement by **midnight Sunday 25th December 2016** to bvba@outlook.com

All nominations will be reviewed by the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award judging panel and details of the criteria used for judging are available from your institutions BVBA Champion and are on the BVBA website. Winners will be announced by the end of February 2017 and invited to attend BVBA Study Day on Wednesday 5th April 2017.

How do I apply?

You should contact your institution's BVBA Champion for further information. Additional details of the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award and the judging criteria for nominees' personal statements are available on the BVBA website: www.bvba.org.uk

We wish you all the best with your application!

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