



BVBA Veterinary Studies Award 2021

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, both will receive:

- 🐾 Free membership to BVBA (April 2021 - December 2022)
- 🐾 Free access to BVBA webinars throughout the year
- 🐾 Free attendance to BVBA Study Day on Wednesday 24th March 2021

***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/diploma accredited by the RCVS based at an institution in the UK. 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 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 has a choice of two submissions below;

Either;

1. Prepare a personal statement of no more than 1000 words, telling us:

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

OR

2. Write a miniature literature review on a behaviour topic of your choice, of no more than 1000 words. You may use the referencing style of your choice.

Institutions must inform the BVBA of their nomination(s) and submit their student's personal statement *OR* miniature literature review by **midnight Sunday 28th February 2021** to bvbasubmissions@gmail.com

All nominations will be reviewed by the BVBA Veterinary Studies Award judging panel. Details of the criteria used for judging are available from your institution's BVBA Champion and are on the BVBA website, www.bvba.org.uk

Winners will be announced in March 2021 and invited to attend BVBA Study Day on Wednesday 24th March 2021.

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 and miniature literature reviews are available on the BVBA website: www.bvba.org.uk

If you have applied previously, you are still eligible to apply again.

We wish you all the best with your application!

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