

Course Unit	Ethics and Legislation		Field of study	Social and Business Sciences	
Bachelor in	Veterinary Nursing		School	School of Agriculture	
Academic Year	2022/2023	Year of study	1	Level	1-1
Type	Semestral	Semester	1	ECTS credits	6.0
			Code	9085-671-1102-00-22	
Workload (hours)	162	Contact hours	T 30	TP -	PL 30
			TC -	S -	E -
			OT 20	O -	

T - Lectures; TP - Lectures and problem-solving; PL - Problem-solving, project or laboratory; TC - Fieldwork; S - Seminar; E - Placement; OT - Tutorial; O - Other

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### Learning outcomes and competences

At the end of the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

1. To know and internalize the applicable ethical principles. 2. Read, analyze and interpret the provisions of national and international Regulations with application in animal ethics

### Prerequisites

Before the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:  
No prerequisites

### Course contents

1. Introduction to ethics: current ethical issues; ethical principles; ethical theories; universality and ethical relativism; ethical arguments. 2. Professional ethics: deontological theory. 3. Ethics and animals: direct and indirect rights of animals; abolition, reform, status quo; theory 4. Extent of legislation applicable in the area of acquired competences

### Course contents (extended version)

- General concepts
  - Legislative regulations. Legislative consultation platforms. Ethics, morals, law. Bioethics.
  - Ethical issues of the present time. Animal welfare. Concept of five freedoms. Sentient animals
- Animal Health and Public Health. Professional skills of Veterinarian Nurse
- Legislation Pets (dog and cat)
  - Potentially dangerous animals. Sterilization. Euthanasia.
  - Ear and tail cutting. Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals.
  - Lost animals. Circulation of pets. Municipal and private kennels
- Animal Experimentation Legislation
  - Species used. 3 R's. Endpoints. Alternatives. Positive and negative aspects
- Legislation: cattle, sheep and goats
- Legislation: pigs and horses.
- Legislation: bees, birds and rabbits.
- Legislation: fish, molluscs, reptiles and game species
- Animals in circuses, zoos, pedagogical farms, oceanariums and recovery centers. Wildlife
- Legislation: prohibited species and genetically modified animals. Marketing of animals

### Recommended reading

- Humberto Rosa, Bioética para as Ciências Naturais. Conferências e Casos de Estudo, do FLA/NSF International Bioethics Institute, 2004
- Beauchamp, T. , 2014. The Oxford Handbook of Animal Ethics. Oxford University Press Inc, Oxford, RU, 1008 pp.
- Galvão Telles, I. , 2010. Introdução ao Estudo do Direito. 10ª edição, Volume 1, Coimbra Editora, Coimbra, Portugal, 486 pp.
- Sandoe, P. , Corr, S. , Palmer, C. , 2015. Companion Animal Ethics. Wiley-Blackwell, NJ, EUA, 288 pp.
- Sgreccia, E. , 2009. Manual de Bioética: 1 – Fundamentos e Ética Biomédica. Edições Princípiá, Lisboa, Portugal, 960 pp

### Teaching and learning methods

The theoretical classes are based mainly on the exposition of themes such as the data-show and blackboard. The practical classes are based on the analysis and discussion of practical cases and the analysis and discussion of legal diplomas that regulate the manipulation of animals as well as the preparation of practical work based on diplomas, for presentation in working groups

### Assessment methods

- theoretical and practical examen - (Regular) (Final, Supplementary, Special)
  - Practical Work - 50%
  - Final Written Exam - 50%
- Theoretical examen - (Student Worker) (Final, Supplementary, Special)
  - Final Written Exam - 100%

### Language of instruction

Portuguese

### Electronic validation

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