Interventions in Wild Animal Health Field Course

The Zoological Society of London, The Wildlife Institute of India, The University of Edinburgh, The Kenya Wildlife Service and The Royal Veterinary College have been motivated to run this Course in recognition of the need to conserve globally important biodiversity. Wildlife diseases are relatively unstudied and unchecked in these areas, and there is an important need for greater expertise in, and greater numbers of, wildlife health professionals to tackle them. Such wildlife health professionals are required to undertake interventions in the health, welfare and conservation of wild animals, to investigate emerging infectious diseases and to ensure human well-being.

What will I do?
Tuition will be carried out in the field to develop skills in human-livestock-wildlife conflict management, disease outbreak investigation, forensic investigation and monitoring of the health of declining species. The Course will include techniques for field monitoring of wildlife (using animal tracks and signs, dung/pellet identification and quantification, census techniques, camera trapping, and radio telemetry), biological management, best practice in wild animal anaesthesia techniques, demonstration and hands-on practice, clinical examination in the field, sampling techniques for infectious disease screening, pathological examination in the field, and disease surveillance scenarios.

Location
The Course will be held in a highly biodiverse host country in South Asia or Africa. Find out the next location from the website.

Eligibility
You must have a recognised veterinary qualification to attend. Priority will be given to participants based in the host region.

How to apply
For more information, including costs, the location for this year and to apply for a space please use the contact forms available on the course website www.iwah.org