



### Land Based Studies

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Land based careers are diverse and use a number of different skills. Many roles combine cutting edge science, engineering and IT with an understanding of the natural world and how it works. Skills within the more creative and leisure sectors are also required, with opportunities in landscape design, floristry, tourism and recreation. Careers can also include working with animals, nature conservation and caring for our land and environment. Many of the careers span a number of the areas above, and skills gained are transferrable between these sectors.

### Land-Based Course at Pinehirst Education

The course is specifically designed for those wishing to gain recognised qualifications to pursue a career within the Land-Based Industry over the period of 2 years (Year 1 = Level 1 & Year 2 = Level 2). The course is delivered by Land-Based Professionals with over 15 years experience in the industry. The course content is detailed and designed to prepare those wanting to pursue a career within Land-Based/ Animal Care & Horticulture Industries. You will be expected to attend classroom sessions for 15-20 hours per week to achieve your qualifications. There is a strong practical element to the course, which is delivered at our purpose built farm.

Upon completion of your 1<sup>st</sup> year you will gain a **Open Awards QCF – (Entry Level 2 – Level 2) – Certificate in Skills in Animal Care OR Open Awards QCF – (Entry Level 2 – Level 2) – Certificate in Skills in Land-Based Studies** and will progress onto the next level up of this qualification.

### Additional Qualifications

During your time at Pinehirst you will have the opportunity to study some additional qualifications alongside your main vocational aim. These consist of **GCSE/Functional Skills Maths & English** (if applicable), **First Aid Training** and **additional industry qualifications/tickets**.

### How to apply

All our courses are free and available to everyone; we don't ask for any entry qualifications or any specific experience – all we require is enthusiasm and the commitment to get the most from your course. We will help you with the rest. You can apply to start our courses at any time. We have places available to start each month. If you would like to discuss our courses in more detail please contact; **Gillian Randles** on **07984 889606** or Clayton on [clayton@pinehirst.net](mailto:clayton@pinehirst.net).

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