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Media Release

**From the
Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW)**

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For Immediate Release:**

UFAW invites applications for the 2015 Animal Welfare Student Scholarships

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is inviting applications for its 2015 Animal Welfare Student Scholarships.

The aim of the Student Scholarships scheme is to enable students to pursue their interests in animal welfare science by providing opportunities to undertake research in this field or other, for example educational, projects. Since the scheme began in 1983 there have been over 300 scholars.

Students will usually be undertaking courses in the agricultural, biological, psychological, veterinary or zoological sciences. However, UFAW also welcomes applications from students in other disciplines interested in undertaking a project in animal welfare. Students must be registered at either a university or college in the British Isles or an overseas institution at which there is a UFAW University 'LINK'. Applications from MSc students on appropriate courses will also be considered.

Projects must be relevant to improving the welfare of farm, laboratory, companion, zoo or free-living wild animals whose welfare is compromised by human factors, and may be carried out within the UK or overseas. Successful applicants will receive up to £1,600 to cover subsistence and project expenses.

Further information about the Scholarships and application forms can be obtained at the UFAW website (www.ufaw.org.uk) 'Grants and Awards' page, or by emailing goodwin@ufaw.org.uk. Closing date for applications for the 2015 Student Scholarships is 28th February 2015.

The 2014 annual Animal Welfare Student Scholars' Meeting, featuring presentations by the 2014 Scholars, will be held at Newcastle University on the 3rd December. Attendance is free but places are limited. For further information contact Dr Stephen Wickens at UFAW, telephone 01582 831818 or email wickens@ufaw.org.uk.

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Note to Editors:

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is an internationally recognised, independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity. It works to improve knowledge and understanding of animals' needs in order to achieve high standards of welfare for farm, companion, research, captive wild animals and those with which we interact in the wild.

UFAW improves animal welfare worldwide through its programme of awards, grants and scholarships; by educational initiatives, especially at university and college level; by providing information in books, videos, reports and in its scientific journal *Animal Welfare*; by providing expert advice to governments and others, including for legislation and 'best practice' guidelines and codes; and by working with animal keepers, scientists, vets, lawyers and all those who care about animals.

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