Diagnostic Avian and Exotic Animals Pathology

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The students will start the course on Monday July 6, 2020, and come to the reception desk of the Androclus building, Yalelaan 1, 3584 CL, the Uithof, Utrecht at 8.00 h.
There they will ask the receptionist to call the “patiënten-administratie” of Pathology, and they will be met by one of the staff.

For information about the Social Programme, please visit the Utrecht Summer School website!

In this course the student is trained to perform post-mortem diagnostics based on protocols, and to formulate, based on this diagnosis, the pathogenesis, the aetiology and significance of the pathological conclusion for the contact animals.

The animal species included are:

- Mammals: zoo animals, wildlife, rabbits, rodents and other privately kept animals;
- Birds: zoo- and park birds, back-yard poultry, aviary birds, pet birds and racing pigeons and wildlife;
- Reptiles, amphibians and occasionally fish and insects.

The protocols include the following disciplines:
Gross pathology, parasitology, microbiology, cytology and histology.

The diagnostic activities are performed by the students themselves under supervision of a trained veterinary pathologist.
During this course the students are expected to make and present review/case-studies of selected cases from the diagnostic material.

The students will daily be present in the necropsy room (8.30 – until work is done) and based on what dead animals are presented they will perform the necropsies.

One assigned necropsy case per week will be presented by the student as review/case-study on Thursday morning.

On Wednesday afternoon the students will attend the resident histology seminars.

The last day of the course the student will pass an exam based on the necropsy that is available that day.

8 July (17.00 - ): Opening Ceremony Utrecht Summer School
Location: Janskerk, Janskerkhof

At the opening ceremony there will be interesting speakers welcoming you to Utrecht, including the Mayor of Utrecht.

This ceremony is a great opportunity to meet fellow students, course leaders and the Summer School staff. There will also be some fun activities to experience the Dutch culture!!