

## STUDENT STEWARDS 2026

BVZS is looking for 6 student stewards to support their annual conference at Conference Aston from 6th-8th November 2026. The student steward role is a really important role for the smooth running of the conference; it is very varied and fun, and is a great opportunity to get involved with BVZS and network with a huge number of zoo, wildlife and exotics veterinary professionals, and with student and nursing streams, as well as wildlife, zoo and exotics pets, there is plenty of great CPD for all.

Some of the responsibilities of the student stewards include setting up on Thursday evening before first registration on Friday, providing technical support for speakers, manning the registration stand, directing delegates and speakers, running microphones during the Q & A sessions, ensuring presentations are ready and set up on laptops, general help for council and meeting organisers, setting up posters and display banners, clearing up at the end of the conference and much more!

Student stewards will receive free tickets for the entire conference. They will be required to pay for their own breakfast and evening meal (lunch and refreshments are included in the conference ticket), travel, accommodation and gala dinner ticket if desired. A WhatsApp group will be created ahead of the conference to share details between selected student stewards for easy communication and to help facilitate room/travel sharing. Whilst student stewards are encouraged to go to lectures where the schedule allows, the priority is the stewarding role, which may mean that they can't attend every lecture they may wish to. Student stewards must be available from 5pm Thursday 5th November until 5pm Sunday 8th November. Selected student stewards will be provided with more detailed information on the specifics of the role ahead of the conference and will be asked to join a brief online meeting in the week before the conference.

### What is covered:

- Registration to the whole conference
- Lunch and refreshments during the conference

### What is not covered:

- Accommodation
- Transport
- Meals outside of lunch
- Gala Dinner tickets (although you are welcome to attend the after dinner entertainment)

### Applicants must:

- be current BVZS student members (annual membership is only £10 and comes with lots of benefits – click [here](#)).
- Give permission for their name and telephone number to be added to a WhatsApp group, shared with other student stewards and council members
- be available to attend the entire conference including set up from 5pm on Thursday 5th November until 5pm on Sunday 8th November
- have never previously been a student steward for BVZS
- have never previously been awarded a free place at BVZS conference
- [apply online](#) before the deadline of 23:59 on the 20<sup>th</sup> April

