

## Student Research Poster Showcase - Further Guidance

Closing date: Saturday 28th February 2026

The Drayton Manor Herpetological Event has been run by the Advancing Herpetological Husbandry group (AHH) and The British Herpetological Society (BHS) for the last 5 years. We have well-renowned speakers from the herpetological arena speaking on various topics. The aim is to educate and improve herpetological husbandry in addition to encouraging collaborative work. We bring together all areas of keeping including academia, zoological collections, commercial and hobbyists. The event is generously hosted by Drayton Manor Park, often thought to be the home of British hobby herpetological keeping.

Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW), a charity concerned with the improvement of animal husbandry, has kindly sponsored us in previous years providing funding to assist students to attend the event and share their research with the wider community. The event is running over 2 days (Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd March 2026) at Drayton Manor where the student research posters will be displayed for the duration to enable attendees to read and ask questions. Every research student who displays a poster will have free entry to the event (not including the conference dinner). Please book dinner tickets through the [www.thebhs.org](http://www.thebhs.org) website and the discount will be refunded to the student when they attend the event.

### To apply:

We ask that students complete the 'Student Research Poster Submission' form and send alongside a pdf. file version of the research poster in standard format (title, introduction, method, results and discussion). The poster can be either portrait or landscape in design. These should be sent to Jennie Shea at: [education@thebhs.org](mailto:education@thebhs.org). You will receive confirmation of your submission. The final poster will need to be **A1 colour print** to be displayed at the conference and students will be able to talk to attendees about their work during breaks and dinner. This is a great opportunity to showcase your work and to network with many delegates including industry professionals and academics. We want to showcase knowledge, passion and commitment therefore candidates could be from any study level.

We look forward to seeing your research!

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