



Course Title:	Enriching enrichment <i>Bridging the gap between 'occupational enrichment' and 'species specific ecology based enrichment'</i>
Tutors:	Thomas Bionda (Apenheul Primate Park), Lisette van den Berg (Utrecht University) in conjunction with Melissa Broadway (EAZA)
Aimed at:	Anyone involved or interested in the implementation of enrichment programs and their effect on animals well-being (Keepers, Senior keepers and Management)
Language taught in:	English
Taught hours:	8.5 hours, including breaks (1 Day)
Extra hours for study etc:	1 hour of preparation tasks <i>The course participant may be required to compile a video and or example of current enrichment they have used and send this to the course organiser by a specified date.</i>
Cost:	EAZA members: €130 Non-members: €165
Dates:	23 March 2020
Delivery Method:	Face to face
Location(s) :	Kambizuri Lodges, Apenheul
Links to other courses:	This course is held prior to the EAZA Animal Welfare Forum 2020 Supplementary to the Introduction to Animal Welfare Workshop and Animal Welfare Workshop

Course Aim(s) :

Using a theoretical and practical approach we will explore the different facets of planning, implementation, evaluation and re-adjustment of enrichment programs. Looking through the lens of promoting agency we will analyse how to achieve enrichment success in both the physical and psychological engagement of an animal whilst aligning with species specific ecological needs.

Thinking outside of the realm of standard enrichment, this course will challenge the norm and help you expand enrichment ideas to incorporate different senses, materials, technologies and concepts. You will also have access to implementation tools and frameworks to help maintain successful enrichment programs.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course you will:

- Understand the scientific principles behind animal welfare and how enrichment can play a vital role in promoting positive animal welfare
- Be able to identify species-specific behavioural needs as a basis for enrichment design
- Have learned about the pros and cons of certain (types of) enrichment
- Have learned about the difference between 'enrichment' and 'the basic needs' of animals
- Be able to apply a structured framework to creating, implementing and evaluating enrichment in theory and in practice
- Have explored ideas on how to incorporate agency and cognition into enrichment items
- Have used innovative thinking to extend enrichment possibilities

Content:

- Background on current enrichment utilised by participants
- Principles of Enrichment, Animal Welfare and (socio)-ecological needs
- Innovation and think out of the box
- From idea to achieved goal; Evaluation and assessment of enrichment and behaviour
- Group work on creating your own enrichment
- In the field enrichment and evaluation
- Presentation from an Enrichment Working Group
- Presentations and feedback of enrichment evaluations

Assessment: None

Additional information:

Papers and articles related to the topic *may* be provided for further reading

How to apply:

You can register online for this course through the Animal Welfare Forum Registration page [HERE](#). Registration is on a first come first served basis. Contact Laura Myers (laura.myers@eaza.net) if you have any questions about the course or registration process.