This experience will allow students to gain a global perspective of animal management practices and human interactions with various livestock and wildlife species. Students will see first-hand how culture, history, and geography impact the use of land and animals within society. Students will study the culture of native New Zealanders (Maori), their close interactions with flora and fauna, and critically analyze livestock management and wildlife conservation in Australasia. Learning experiences include lectures, interactions with animals, activities, educational site visits, and reflective exercises.

Program Type: Faculty-led Intersession
Program Director: Dr. Kathi Jogan, kjogan@uark.edu
Program Application Deadline: October 1, 2019
Program Dates: December 27, 2019 - January 10, 2020
Program Costs: (Est.) $3,400 + Airfare (Est.) $2,500 + UA Tuition*
Course Credit: 3 Credit Hours
ANSC 410V/501V, AFLS 401V(H), or BIOL 496V/496V(H)

*Prices to be confirmed by September 1, 2019.
“The two weeks I spent in New Zealand as part of the Human and Animal Interactions course were two of the best weeks of my life. I would highly recommend this trip to anyone who wants to study ecology or conservation, or to simply be immersed in New Zealand’s fantastic nature and one-of-a-kind culture.”
~Amrit Kannan, Biology major

“I learned more in two weeks than I ever could have sitting in a classroom for a semester. I feel more educated about my field of study because I got to experience how animal science fits into society in two other countries. Traveling abroad deepened my understanding of my field of study, which I believe will make me a more competitive applicant for future jobs and professional school.”
~Abby Ratton, Animal Science major

HIGHLIGHTS

**Hobbiton** More than a movie set, Hobbiton is also a working beef and sheep farm, a successful example of agritourism.

**New Zealand Fur Seals** Swim in the coastal waters off Kaikoura, also home to Dusky Dolphins, Little Blue Penguins, and many species of albatross and whales.

**Mitai Maori Village** See a Maori warrior cultural performance and their close dependence on native plants and animals.