

# Asian Elephants In Context

## *Animal Behaviour and Conservation in Thailand*

Field Course: June 16 - July 12 2024

Experience Asian Elephants and community-living in Thailand! This field course explores how the science of animal behavior and wellbeing can be used in conservation to improve outcomes for animals, people, and the environment. During this immersive 4-week field course in Thailand students will gain hands on experience developing and implementing ethological research on a topic of their choice, learning how to record and interpret behavioral data. Students will learn from expert staff, mahouts, and community leaders about community-led conservation work. This is an immersive experience, where students will be engaged in local culture, including language training in Sgaw Karen and Thai.

Led by renowned conservation behaviourist Dr. Liv Baker, and the award winning team at Mahouts Elephant Foundation's Living in the Forest with Elephants (LIFE) project, this program is suitable for students with a passion for biology, ecology, conservation, animal behavior, animal welfare science, as well as students in the social sciences who are interested in gaining experience in multispecies methodologies. Applications for the course are rolling, but the course is capped at 12 participants so apply early to secure your spot!

**Program Dates:** June 16 - July 12

**Program Cost:** GBP £3,000

inclusive of course instruction, facilitating staff and interpreters, and room and board in the field.

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