



ULTRASOUND ACADEMY PORTUGAL

AN OUTSTANDING LEARNING
OPPORTUNITY IN IMAGING FOR
VETS

Develop your confidence with small animal abdominal ultrasound in this incredibly supportive tutored course in Europe.

LEARN TO DO A COMPLETE ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND IN PORTUGAL

Our Academies follow a specific methodology that increases your competence and promotes confidence in yourself.

You leave us with practical skills to use in your professional life and an unforgettable experience full of warm memories!



Ultrasound Academy is promoted by UniVets Global and takes place in Vila Franca de Xira, Portugal.



NOT EVERYONE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO ULTRASOUND

Vets can struggle to feel confident with abdominal ultrasound for several reasons.

1 / LACK OF EXPOSURE TIME

To become good at abdominal ultrasound, you need to practise how to obtain the right images and then interpret them, which involves you actually performing ultrasounds instead of just learning from books.

2 / LACK OF SUPPORT AND FEEDBACK

Even if you do get cases, you may not have anyone more experienced to confirm with you that you are on the right track for the correct interpretation and diagnosis. This makes you feel like you've done the ultrasound but you can't trust your findings, so you are in the same place where you were before you did the ultrasound.

3 / NOT ENOUGH OPPORTUNITIES

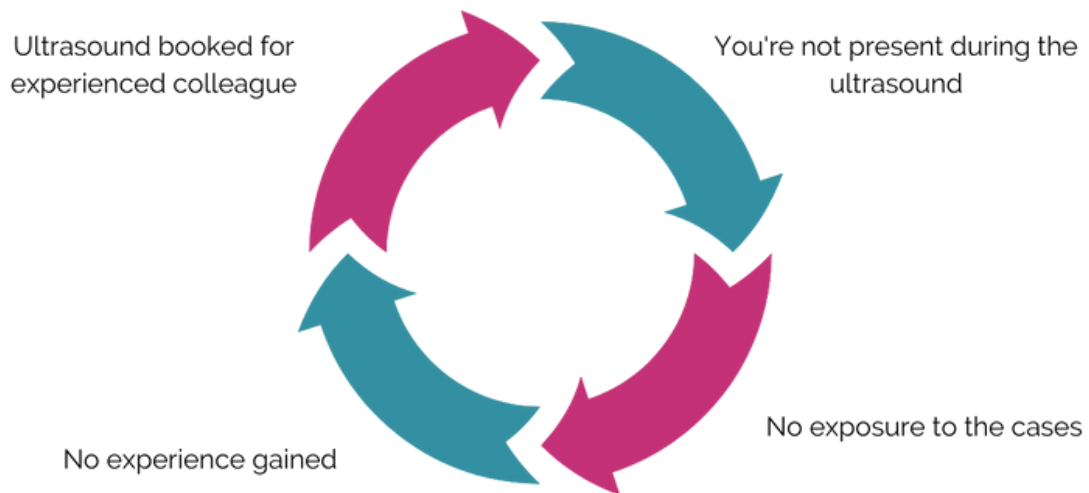
When you are working, full abdominal ultrasounds are not that common and the learning opportunities in clinical practice are not many, since your most experienced colleagues will usually perform the ultrasound and you don't get a chance to get your hands on as you'll be busy doing something else.



THE "NO EXPERIENCE" CYCLE

In a busy practice, there is usually someone more familiar and comfortable with ultrasound, or even someone specifically dedicated to it. This means you are usually busy doing something else and you may not even have the cases or opportunity to be present during ultrasounds. This perpetuates the cycle where the less experienced vets don't have the chance of practising ultrasound and improve their skills.

HERE'S WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE...



LACK OF PRACTICE LEADS TO LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN YOU AND YOUR DIAGNOSIS.

Ultrasound is such an important diagnostic tool that missing the skills to perform a basic abdominal ultrasound makes you lose confidence in your competence as a veterinarian. It leads to you being unsure about the diagnosis you are making, missing important changes or even providing wrong diagnoses.

Being able to perform a basic abdominal ultrasound increases the standard of care you are able to provide for your patients and can save their lives.

A COURSE FOR PROFICIENCY

Our Ultrasound Academy offers you five stepping stones to become completely comfortable with abdominal ultrasound:



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WHAT TO EXPECT

Graduate vets and vet students can participate in this Academy.

PREPARATION

We partner with Camilla Edwards from First Opinion Veterinary Ultrasound to provide you with a 6-week online course reviewing the theory of abdominal ultrasound. We will cover all abdominal organs, including pancreas, adrenals, lymph nodes and vasculature.

EQUIPMENT

You will perform ultrasound on healthy dogs using **three** different ultrasound machines, so you can learn what different images look like. We may also have the opportunity of assessing dogs with known or suspected pathologies, as we partner with the local council dog ward to examine their animals..

LEARNING

Doing ultrasound for many hours in a row is exhausting! To allow you some rest, we will group you and allow you to change between performing a complete abdominal ultrasound and assisting with restraint and interpretation for your colleagues. We will also have breaks and video demonstrations for you.

By the end of this Academy, you should be able to perform an abdominal ultrasound from beginning to end, to obtain the required views for all major abdominal organs and, whenever possible, the pancreas, adrenals, lymph nodes and vasculature.



TRAVEL

The course takes place in Vila Franca de Xira, a city by the Tagus river that you can easily reach from Lisbon. Vila Franca de Xira is located 20 minutes from Lisbon airport and it has direct train connections to Lisbon. Going from the airport to Vila Franca de Xira is also possible with a short metro/subway ride and a 20-minute train.

You can also drive from the airport to Vila Franca de Xira.

Regarding accommodation, we will help you organise your travel to reach it. Depending on the date of the course, we may stay in a hotel on the outskirts of the city or in local-themed bungalows in the city. We will keep you informed of this.

We recommend travelling to Vila Franca on the Sunday before the course takes place and leaving on the Saturday after.

Travel is not included in the course fees, but we will help you organise your travel.

We will transport you between your accommodation and our training center where the course takes place.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

We provide accommodation in Vila Franca de Xira in one of two places, depending on the course dates. We may stay at the 4-star hotel Lezíria Parque Hotel, which is on the outskirts of the city, or in the local themed bungalows in the city council compound that also includes a gym and a pool.

All your meals are included and we accommodate food preferences and intolerances. Lunch and dinner take place in varied restaurants in the area, so you can have a taste for the local gastronomy. We will bring you to those locations and we will also set up your travel between the accommodation and the training centre.

We will finish each day in time for you to have a stroll around the city and enjoy the river views, or relax at your accommodation.

All meals are included in the course fees.

IS IT FOR YOU?

- Do you want to be able to confidently do a complete abdominal ultrasound on your own?
- Do you want to build hours of practice scanning?

WE ARE HAPPY TO SPEAK TO YOU AND ANSWER ALL YOUR QUESTIONS BEFORE YOU MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE ULTRASOUND ACADEMY COURSE.

DATES AND FREQUENCY

Ultrasound Academy takes place three to four times a year.

The dates for the attendance courses in 2023 are the following:

- **February:** 20 - 24 February 2023
- **April:** 3 - 7 April 2023
- **June:** 5 - 9 June 2023
- **October:** 9 - 13 October 2023

Online access is given 6 weeks before the attendance course.

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COURSE FEES AND BOOKINGS

HOW TO BOOK A COURSE



1 / PRE-REGISTRATION

Fill out the pre-registration form to let us know the date of the Academy you'd like to join. Each Academy is limited to 9 participants.

2 / Q&A SESSION

Once we know when you'd like to join, we'll request you to book a Q&A session so we can explain you how the course works and make sure you have no questions.

3 / BOOKING CONFIRMATION

After speaking to you we can confirm if there is a vacancy and will start your registration if you want to take it by sending you an invitation letter with full terms and conditions.

4 / DEPOSIT AND RESERVATION

We will raise the invoice for your deposit. Once your deposit is paid, your reservation is complete and we'll start processing your accommodation and help you plan your travel.

COURSE FEES

- Total fee of £2300, payable in two instalments:
 - £1000 at the time of registration
 - £1300 payable up to two weeks before the practical course date

Fees can be converted to other currencies, such as euros.

THREE GOOD REASONS TO JOIN

Ultrasound
Academy offers
you a unique and
unforgettable
experience that
goes beyond
learning skills.

1

**40 HOURS OF
PRACTICAL TRAINING
IN 5 DAYS, MANY MORE
WITH THE ONLINE
THEORY**

2

**AN EXPERT TUTOR TO
GUIDE YOU THE ENTIRE
TIME**

3

**ALL PRACTICE WITH REAL
ANIMALS FOR YOU**

NEXT STEPS FOR YOU

If you want to learn how to perform a full abdominal ultrasound and feel confident about what you are doing, then this experience will offer you a supported and remarkable learning environment - and an adventure in Portugal!



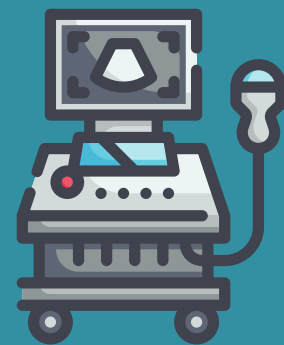
BOOK A FREE Q&A CALL

Not sure if the course is right for you? Speak with us to find out.



CHECK OUR FAQ SECTION

Here are the most common questions about our Ultrasound Academy.



BOOK A COURSE

Are you ready for an unforgettable experience? Pre-register to join one of the available Ultrasound Academies.



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