

Special Issue

Animal Welfare from a Cross-Cultural Perspective

Message from the Guest Editors

Animal welfare is presented as the physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing of other-than-human animals. Humans have a responsibility to ensure the welfare needs of domesticated and/or otherwise captive animals are met. Some argue that the welfare needs of wild-living animals should also be considered. An understanding of different cultural perspectives is especially pertinent for researchers and animal advocates concerned with the welfare of animals situated in touristic, foreign (relative to the researcher), or culturally diverse contexts. Cultural sensitivity is argued as being paramount to building relationships and addressing concerns related to animal welfare. In this Special Issue we welcome manuscripts that address animal welfare from a cross-cultural perspective, including more-than-human cultures. We are particularly interested in submissions that offer theoretical contributions towards more ethical and symbiotic relations between humans and more-than-human animals, and we also encourage submissions addressing the decolonization of animal welfare in academia and/or practice.

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