

Tiger Tales

Unraveling evolutionary relationships
between tiger subspecies.

At the Melbourne Zoo students explore the distribution and morphological characteristics in 5 subspecies of tigers as a means of determining evolutionary relationships, discuss issues for tigers in the wild and go behind the scenes to meet the family of Sumatran tigers. Arriving at GTAC students explore “molecular homology” as a way of defining evolutionary relationships. Students use wet lab tasks and bioinformatics tools to distinguish between the various sub species of tigers.

