



ACM40418 Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing

National ID: ACM40418 | State ID: BED9

About this course

Want a career caring for animals?

When you complete the Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing you will be ready for a career as a **veterinary nurse**, or **animal welfare worker**.

You will have the skills and knowledge to work effectively in a **veterinary practice**, providing care to a wide variety of animals, assisting with **surgery preparation** and procedures, performing **pathology and imaging** procedures, providing post-surgery care and advice, and workplace safety and health.

This course is popular and highly competitive to get into. Please ensure you enter all your work and work experience, both related to the field and unrelated, in your application.

Part time studies - study this course with us part time including one day a week at campus in Semester 1 and one day a week at a workplace in industry. Your work placement must be arranged by you prior to applying to study. To take up this option, revisit here when Semester 1 applications are open.

Self-paced part time studies - students residing outside the metropolitan area and working within a veterinary practice can study this course self-paced with attendance at campus in a series of blocks of 2 to 3 day classes. To take up this option, visit our [expression of interest online form](#).

Overview

This course may be offered with a blended, flexible delivery model to enable social distancing measures to be undertaken during the COVID-19 pandemic. This approach may include a mix of online and classroom based delivery, as well as practical and work experience placements. Lecturers will provide any specific instructions if your training delivery style needs to change.

Semester 1, 2021

Bentley - Full Time-Classroom



Duration: **2 Semesters**



When: **Semester 1, 2021**



How: **Full Time**

Units

Core

| National ID | Unit Title |
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| ACMGAS307 | Identify animal anatomy and physiology for animal care work |
| ACMGAS308 | Communicate effectively with clients and team members |
| ACMINF301 | Comply with infection control policies and procedures in animal care work |
| ACMVET202 | Carry out daily practice routines |
| ACMVET401 | Coordinate veterinary reception duties |
| ACMVET402 | Apply imaging routines |
| ACMVET403 | Perform clinical pathology procedures |
| ACMVET404 | Perform practice office procedures |

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| ACMVET405 | Coordinate and perform surgical nursing routines |
| ACMVET406 | Nurse animals |
| ACMVET407 | Carry out medical nursing routines |
| ACMVET408 | Provide nutritional advice and support for animals |
| ACMVET409 | Provide specific animal care advice |
| ACMVET410 | Carry out veterinary dental nursing procedures |
| ACMVET413 | Prepare for anaesthesia and monitor animal anaesthesia and analgesia |
| ACMVET416 | Assist with the preparation of veterinary drugs and poisons |
| ACMWH301 | Contribute to workplace health and safety processes |

Elective

| National ID | Unit Title |
|-------------|---|
| ACMSPE302 | Provide basic care of birds |
| ACMSPE304 | Provide basic care of domestic dogs |
| ACMSPE305 | Provide basic care of domestic cats |
| ACMSPE312 | Provide basic care of rodents and rabbits |

Entrance requirements

Entry into this qualification is open to students who:

- hold a Certificate II in Animal Studies OR
- hold a relevant Certificate III or higher level qualification in an animal science discipline OR
- can demonstrate equivalent skills and knowledge in a relevant animal science discipline to any of the above

qualifications.

Study pathway



[Certificate II in Animal Studies](#)



[Certificate III in Companion Animal Services](#)



[Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing](#)

Job opportunities



[Veterinary Nurse Animal carer](#)

Please note this list should be used as a guide only as job titles and qualification requirements may vary between organisations.

SM TAFE actively promotes the employment availability of course graduates to key industry partners and organisations. We also seek expressions of interest from organisations for the placement of our students into work experience. We endeavour to assist students into a career pathway, but please be aware that neither employment nor work experience placement is guaranteed by us.

To access free career planning and job search assistance, visit the [Jobs and Skills Centres](#) page.

Fees and charges

Indicative fees and charges

[2020 General Admission Fees List](#)

[2020 Apprenticeship/Traineeship Fees List](#)

Fees and charges published on our website are indicative. Your fees will depend on your eligibility for government funding or a concession rate, and the units you choose to study or seek to be recognised under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). Our Indicative fees lists show fees that are:

- Based on the full possible study plan of units, including the recommended electives
- Based on full time study in 2020
- Charged at the government funded rate for over 18 years of age students
- Based on unit electives designed to meet localised industry demand for skills
- Made up of course fees and resource fees, or RPL fees. Course fees are the cost of your tuition, while resource fees pay for consumables provided to you to aid your study (such as printing and paper). You may also be required to purchase text books or equipment that are not part of our tuition or resource fees.

Fees may vary between students and between educational providers. Other charges may apply.

Visit our [Fees and payment options](#) page for more information.

Call 1800 001 001 to get a more accurate fee indication based on your eligibility and study plan before applying.

VET Student Loans

Selected courses are VET Student Loan eligible courses.

A VET Student Loan creates a debt that must be repaid to the Commonwealth and is only available to students who are eligible.

To find out if you are eligible or to see the list of eligible courses visit our [Student Loans](#) page.

International students

Selected courses are available to International students for full time study only.

Fees, charges, available locations, applications and enrolment procedures for International students are different to those for students who have Australian permanent residency.

For more information or to find a course visit the [TAFE International WA](#) website.

Apprenticeships and traineeships

Fees for apprenticeships and traineeships are charged at a rate per nominal hour of study.

This means that your fees will vary depending on the units you study as part of your training plan.

Apprentices and trainees are liable to pay for their own fees but some industrial agreements (awards) dictate that employers are required to reimburse their apprentice upon receipt of satisfactory progress. An employer may also opt to pay on behalf of the apprentice or trainee.

For more information visit our [Apprenticeships and traineeships](#) page.



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Recognition of Prior Learning

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) enrolments are charged at \$3.25 per nominal hour of study.

No concession fees apply to RPL enrolments. Refer to the institutional or apprenticeship/traineeship fee lists for an indicative RPL course fee.

Please note, fees are subject to change.



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