

Certificate II in Animal Care (On campus)

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Proposed Units

Course Type

Accredited Course;
VDSS

Course Code

ACM20121

Campus

Bairnsdale
Leongatha
Morwell
Warragul Baw Baw Skills
Centre
Sale (Gtec)

Completion

Full

Duration

2 years

Scored Assessment

No

VET in VCE

Yes

Structured Workplace Learning

Strongly Recommended

ACMGEN204 Assist In Health Care Of Animals
BSBCMM211 Apply communication skills
ACMGEN203 Feed And Water Animals
ACMGEN202 Complete Animal Care Hygiene Routines
ACMSPE320 Provide general care of mammals
ACMSPE316 Provide general care of domestic dogs
ACMGEN309 Provide basic animal first aid
ACMGEN205 Source and provide information for animal care needs
ACMGEN201 Work in the animal care industry
ACMWH5201 Participate in workplace health and safety processes
ACMSUS201 Participate In Environmentally Sustainable Work Practices
HLTAID011 Provide First Aid

Pre-Requisites

Nil

Clothing and Equipment

- Solid, closed in shoes
- Sun protection
- Branded uniform shirt will be supplied
- Students should bring their laptop they currently use for Secondary School to their VET DSS class

Pathways

- Certificate III in Companion Animal Services
- Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing

Potential Job Outcomes

- Assistant animal care worker
- Assistant animal shelter attendant
- Assistant kennel hand
- Assistant cattery attendant

Entry Requirements

Recommended entry requirements:

It is recommended that students own or have access to a minimum of two (2) different species of animals in order to meet assessment requirements. Additionally some units of competency require students to have access to animals a varying life stages e.g. puppy and adult dog, in order to meet their learning needs and support the achievement of assessment outcomes.

Limitations to entry:

Students must have access to a reliable internet connection.

Students must have access to a computer or tablet that will support course work to be completed in our Learning Management System Moodle. We recommend that this also includes a headset (integrated microphone and earphones).

This job role also requires candidates to have a good level of physical fitness to allow them to safely handle animals in the workplace. This includes the ability to bend, lift and be on their feet most of the day.

Course cost

For the course cost please visit the TAFE Gippsland website or call 1300 133 717.