Central Texas College
Continuing Education
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Allied Health Career Training
Program of Study

Veterinary Assistant

Program Summary: As a Veterinary Assistant you will help the Veterinarian or the Veterinarian Technician in their daily tasks. You will feed, water, and examine pets for signs of illness, disease, or injury; and clean and disinfect cages and work areas, as well as sterilize laboratory and surgical equipment in laboratories, animal hospitals and clinics. This program combines 35-hours of accelerated classroom training with emphasis on skills mastery through hands on practice and supervision and 35-hours of volunteer experience. Each student will be responsible for coordinating his/her volunteer experience. (Total – 70 Hours).

Community Job Survey: Average pay is $11 per hour. Pet owners are becoming more affluent and more willing to pay for advanced veterinary care because many of them consider their pet to be part of the family. This growing affluence and view of pets will continue to increase the demand for veterinary care and cause the field to grow faster than average through 2018.

Certification: Upon successful completion graduates will receive a certificate of completion.

Pre-requisites: Minimum 18 years of age and high school completion or its equivalent. Admission to the Veterinary Assistant certificate program is open to any interested student who is proficient in keyboarding, has a basic understanding of a word processing computer program (Microsoft Word recommended, but optional) and has a command of English grammar and punctuation. No veterinary office work experience is required. Students will be required to have access to the Internet, printing capabilities and an email address.

VTHT	1012	Veterinary Assistant	295.00