Veterinary Assistant

As a Veterinary Assistant you will help the Veterinarian or the Veterinarian Technician in their daily tasks. Students will learn to feed and give water to pets; examine them for signs of illness, disease or injury; 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 to be completed independently. (Total 70 Contact Hours)

**VTHT 1005 Veterinary Medical Terminology**
Introduction to word parts, directional terminology, and analysis of veterinary terms. (32 hours)

**VTHT 1011 Veterinary Clinical Skills**
Survey of basic veterinary and nursing care skills. Includes aseptic techniques and operating room procedures, and the roles and responsibilities of the veterinary team in a clinical setting. (40 hours)

**VTHT 1012 Veterinary Assistant**
Survey of basic patient observation, record keeping, care and comfort, animal husbandry, sanitation, safety procedures, and the roles and responsibilities of the veterinary team. (35 hours)

**VTHT 1017 Veterinary Office Management**
Practical experience in management of the veterinary practice. Emphasis on client relations, record keeping, inventory, employment skills, and computer skills in the veterinary environment. (48 hours)