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CENTRAL COAST COLLEGE
a Legacy Education Institution



VETERINARY ASSISTANT DIPLOMA PROGRAM

If you love animals, enjoy being helpful and have a calm personality, Veterinary Assisting could be for you. The Veterinary Assisting program at Central Coast College (CCC) is a great place to begin and you can complete our diploma program in less than a year. Central Coast College ensures you are ready to enter the job market with a program involving classroom theory, lab procedures and externship. Our Veterinary Assistant students receive CPR and First Aid training.

Program Length: 38 Weeks

Classroom: 696 Hours (330 Lecture + 216 Lab) | Clinical Externship: 150 Hours

Career Highlights & Opportunity

As a Veterinary Assistant, you will handle routine animal care and help scientists, veterinarians, and veterinary technologists and technicians with their daily tasks. Tasks include feeding, bathing and exercising animals, restraining animals during procedures, maintain and sterilize surgical instruments, care for animals after surgery and give medication and immunizations prescribed.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ranks Veterinary Assistants among the fastest growing occupations over the 2019-2029 decade. Employment is projected to grow 16% – much faster than the average job ranking. As of 2019, Veterinary Assistants held about 100,000 jobs with employment in Veterinary Offices, Veterinary Hospitals, Research Facilities, Animal Shelters, Wildlife Refuges and Zoos.

Accreditation & Approval

Accreditation guarantees students that the programs at Central Coast College meet objective and rigorous third-party standards of educational practices. Central Coast College is accredited through ACCET (the Accrediting Council on Continuing Education and Training) and approved to operate under the BPPE (State of California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education). The Veterinary Technology program has been awarded Initial Accreditation by the Council on Veterinary Technical Education and Activities of the AVMA (American Veterinary Medical Association).

Veterinary Assisting Program Courses Include:

- + Veterinary Terminology
- + Pharmacology
- + Animal Husbandry
- + Surgical Assisting
- + Behavior, Restraint and Nursing Theory

WHY CCC?

Central Coast College has provided hands on, comprehensive training for more than 35 years. We prepare you for a career in a broad scope of opportunities for better job options in the future. Our staff is qualified and caring with a focus on helping you succeed, providing real tools to thrive in your next work environment. Central Coast College provides job placement assistance to all qualified graduates. The college makes no claims guaranteeing employment upon graduation. Federal Financial Aid maybe available to those who qualify.

Let's Get Started
Call CCC Today
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