

# Veterinary Assisting



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Skills recommended to be successful in this career pathway:

## AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES CAREER CLUSTER

### ESSENTIAL SKILLS



Oral communication



Written communication



Physical strength/mobility



Safety awareness



Visual acuity/depth perception



Perceptual speed/clerical & auditory perception



Reasoning skills/mechanical aptitude



Eye/hand/arm coordination/manual dexterity

### ACADEMIC SKILLS



#### APPLIED MATHEMATICS

- Estimating weight and time
- Calculate liquid dilution rates
- Using ratios for feed and medication



#### WORKPLACE DOCUMENTS

- Interpret medical information
- Understand medical terminology
- Read patient medical information



#### GRAPHIC LITERACY

- Interpret medical charts
- Use product labeling
- Follow record-keeping procedures

### DID YOU KNOW STUDENTS IN THIS PROGRAM...

- \* Maintain digital patient medical records
- \* Remain calm in high-stress situations
- \* Work with and, at times, restrain animals
- \* Read animal behavior and adapt quickly to changing situations
- \* Work around different types of animals
- \* Understand allergies associated with animals, bedding and feeds

- \* Read and interpret safety data sheets
- \* Frequently lift items over 50 pounds
- \* Work with pet owners
- \* Maintain a safe and clean work environment
- \* Work at a fast pace responding to the needs of animals



### COURSES



- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Animal Health



- Business Management for Agricultural and Environmental Systems
- Veterinary Science



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## IS THIS YOU?



Find your work personality type with this free assessment at [truity.com](https://truity.com):



Holland's Model of Occupational Themes – graphic courtesy of the University of Tennessee.

## Realistic | Social

Realistic personality types are “doers;” they like doing something as opposed to talking or thinking about it. They like to solve problems in the real world. They are practical, independent, assertive, competitive and like activities that require hand-eye coordination, skill and strength. Doers with a secondary personality type of “social” are likely to prefer practical tasks that help others.

### Key strengths that lead to success in this career path

- ✓ Dependability
- ✓ Integrity
- ✓ Attention to detail
- ✓ Self-control
- ✓ Cooperation
- ✓ Persistence

## WORK-BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- ▶ Placement
- ▶ Job shadowing
- ▶ Care for rescue animals
- ▶ Volunteer at animal care centers
- ▶ Guest speakers
- ▶ Field trips
- ▶ College visits

## COLLEGE & CAREER READY

### Career Credentials

- Elanco (iCEV) Fundamentals of Animal Science Certification
- Elanco (iCEV) Veterinary Medical Applications Certification
- Forklift Operation
- OSHA 10 – Veterinary
- CPR/First Aid



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## CAREER PATHWAYS

After earning credentials, get more education and experience to

- ▶ Veterinary assistant
- ▶ Receptionist
- ▶ Pet store worker
- ▶ Kennel assistant
- ▶ Groomer
- ▶ Veterinary technician
- ▶ Lab technician



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Starting salaries in this field

**\$11 - 18**  
per hour



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