

# Animal Care



## ACM20121 ANIMAL CARE

### What it is

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for entry level and support roles in the animal care and management industry, where workers provide care for animals in workplaces such as animal shelters, boarding/day care facilities, sanctuaries and veterinary clinics.

The work activities are routine, performed under supervision and within clearly defined guidelines.

### What you learn

You learn from the following subjects (Units of Competency):

#### FIRST YEAR

- ✓ Participate in workplace health & safety processes ACMWHS201
- ✓ Feed and water animals ACMGEN203
- ✓ Assist in health care of animals ACMGEN204
- ✓ Provide reception services for an animal care facility ACMGEN310
- ✓ Provide basic care of domestic cats ACMSPE317
- ✓ Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices ACMSUS201

#### SECOND YEAR

- ✓ Work in the animal care industry ACMGEN201
- ✓ Complete animal care hygiene routines ACMGEN202
- ✓ Apply communication skills BSBCMM211
- ✓ Provide general care of domestic dogs ACMSPE316
- ✓ Source and provide information for animal care needs ACMGEN205
- ✓ Provide enrichment for animals ACMBEH302

### Who you learn from

#### YOUR INDUSTRY EXPERT

To be confirmed

#### WHERE YOU LEARN

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#### WHEN

- 1st Year**  
Thursday 1.45pm to 5.00pm
- 2nd Year**  
Tuesday 1.45pm to 5.00pm



### What you get

Upon successful completion of the program, students are eligible to obtain:

#### School recognition

Credit/Unit eligibility towards your relevant Senior Secondary Certificate. Check with your school for more details.

#### Workplace recognition

1. Certificate II in Animal Care (once all units satisfactorily completed).
2. Statement of Attainment  
(List of the Units of Competency which have been successfully completed)

### Your possible career/pathway

Upon completion of the qualification, students will be prepared for entry-level employment in veterinary clinics, animal shelters, pet shops, companion animal services, or animal training services.

The course is a pathway to further study including a veterinary nursing career.

### Learn more

- Certificate III in Animal Studies ACM30117
- Certificate III in Companion Animal Services ACM30417
- Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training ACM40321
- Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing ACM40418
- Diploma of Animal Technology ACM50119

### Employment

Possible career outcomes on completion are:

- Animal shelter assistant
- Pet shop assistant
- Animal service provider
- Kennel attendant
- Assistant dog groomer

### What the program looks/sounds like

Watch a **Get VET** video of a student explaining the program, by accessing <https://bit.ly/2ASe3En>



*Note: Program commencement subject to enrolment numbers. Units of Competency are subject to change. Check with your school VET Coordinator regarding costs and if this program is suitable for you. This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding to eligible individuals. All details are accurate at the time of publication.*