

# ANH1050 - Introduction to the Veterinary Profession

## School

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School of Life Science & Business

## Calendar Description

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Students will become familiar with selected animal health organizations and will adhere to the regulations of veterinary medicine in Alberta. Students are introduced to strategies and techniques for managing self and interacting with others. Students will apply critical thinking skills to animal welfare situations. This course provides students with foundational veterinary medical terminology they will use throughout their career.

## Credit Type

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Credit

## Credits

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3

## Hours

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Lecture Hour	Lab Hour	Tutorial Hour
3	0	0

## Total Hours

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Lecture Hour(s)	Lab Hour(s)	Tutorial Hour(s)
45		

## General Areas of Competency

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1. Describe the roles and responsibilities for each member of the veterinary healthcare team.
2. Develop learning and career goals based on strengths, areas to develop, interests, skills and talents.
3. Apply selected interpersonal techniques for effective communication.
4. Apply general rules to veterinary medical word building and analysis.
5. Apply critical thinking to animal welfare situations.

## Competency Statements

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- A. Describe the roles and responsibilities for each member of the veterinary healthcare team.
  1. Identify different practice types and the services they offer.
  2. Identify and observe the legal boundaries of veterinary health care team members.
  3. Identify regulatory agencies directly related to the veterinary profession.
  4. Identify important associations and resources for the veterinary team.
- B. Develop learning and career goals based on strengths, areas to develop, interests, skills and talents.
  1. Identify interests, values or skills to set learning, life or career goals.
  2. Explore strategies and resources that support personal growth in learning and career pathways.
  3. Demonstrate supportive collaborative learning skills.
  4. Create a plan to build healthy relationships which support the growth and well-being of self and others.

5. Develop strategies for optimism, flexibility and resilience when adapting to new situations and transitions.
  6. Develop a personal philosophy towards learning and working in the animal health industry.
  7. Apply strategies for time management.
- C. Apply selected interpersonal techniques for effective communication.
1. Define verbal communication strategies.
  2. Define non-verbal communication strategies.
  3. Define core communication skills used in veterinary medicine.
  4. Identify strategies for managing interpersonal conflict.
  5. Apply problem-solving strategy to achieve interpersonal goals.
  6. Apply strategies to improve interpersonal communication skills.
- D. Apply general rules to veterinary medical word building and analysis.
1. Describe general rules to word building and analysis.
  2. Describe directional terms.
  3. Identify and define body parts of selected species of dogs, cats, cows and horses.
  4. Identify common terms used for animals.
- E. Apply critical thinking to animal welfare situations.
1. Describe the human animal bond.
  2. Identify the history of animal welfare and the animal welfare spectrum.
  3. Investigate animal welfare associations and resources in the animal health industry.
  4. Describe The Five Freedoms.
  5. Demonstrate critical thinking skills.
  6. Identify animal legislation in Alberta and Canada.