Veterinary Assistant Training

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If you have a nurturing spirit and a desire to help animals, consider a career in the veterinary field! This course trains students to assist veterinarians and veterinary technicians in providing medical care to sick and injured animals. Students training as veterinary assistants will also learn how to help in the office and with customer relations as well as assisting with examinations, hospital procedures, surgical preparation, and laboratory tests.

The 150 hour course includes a 60 hour clinical externship experience. While the class typically meets in the evenings, please note that the clinical externship will most likely take place during normal business hours and successful completion of the externship is required to complete the course. Externship dates will be given in the first month of class to ensure ample time to inform current employers of your training, if needed, as time off from work may be required depending on your schedule.

Course Prerequisites and Special Notes:
A high school diploma or GED is required. Students must be able to write and speak in English and have reading and comprehension skills at the high school level. In addition, students must have the following minimum abilities: psychomotor skills (eye-hand coordination and finger dexterity), visual acuity (normal or corrected), and the ability to lift 30 pounds in the clinical setting.

Students must complete a background check at an approved provider in order to participate in the clinical externship portion of the program. The fee for this service is NOT included in the course fee.

Prior felony convictions may prevent participation in the program. Textbooks and scrubs are required for the externship and may be purchased at the CLC Bookstore.

Students may be required to meet specific health requirements and drug testing prior to placement in the clinical portion of the course. This is based on the requirements of the externship site and will be determined at placement. Any fees to meet health requirements are NOT included in the course fee.

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