

COURSE CODE

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## Certificate II in Animal Studies

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### WHY CHOOSE TAFE NSW?



**Opens career doors.** Our industry relationships lead many students directly into work with a range of employers including agencies, studios, galleries and fashion houses.



**Global prospects.** TAFE NSW graduates possess the technical knowledge, creative-thinking and specialised skills that are highly sought after by employers around the world.



**State-of-the-art facilities.** Purpose-built creative studios and industry standard software mean you will master the same tools of the trade as leading professionals.



**Industry exposure.** TAFE NSW partners with industry to provide you with hands-on experience through networking, sponsor programs, competitions, talks, lectures and other creative industry events.



**Recognised and respected.** TAFE NSW has built its reputation on delivering trusted, industry aligned and nationally recognised training for over 130 years.

# Certificate II in Animal Studies

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Qualification Level	Certificate II
Study Type	PT Evening
Course Start Date	04 Feb 2020
Hours Per Week	8.5
Duration	1 Year
Delivery Locations	Wagga Wagga
Course Fees	<p><b>Subsidised Prices</b>            First Qualification: \$1,120.00            Second Qualification: \$1,340.00            Traineeship: \$1,000.00            You may be eligible for the NSW Smart &amp; Skilled <b>Fee Free</b> Traineeship which will be verified at enrolment.            Concession: \$160.00</p> <p><b>Non-subsidised Prices</b>            Full Fee: \$4,200.00</p>
Course Features	Nationally Recognised Training Traineeship Allowed This training is subsidised by the NSW Government

## Course Description

Take the nationally accredited Certificate II in Animal Studies and start your career as a pet groomer or animal attendant in animal shelter or veterinary clinic. Turn your passion for animals into a career as you gain practical skills and build industry relationships.

### LEARN NEW SKILLS

Through theoretical and practical course work, you will learn to:

- Provide care to a range of animals
- Monitor and maintain animal health
- Practice hygiene and infection control
- Respond to expectations of pet owners
- Understand what is required in running a small companion animal business

### DEVELOP YOUR TALENT

Develop the personal qualities that will help you get ahead:

- Calm and empathetic nature
- Ability to follow directions and work independently
- Good communication skills
- A reasonable level of fitness to safely handle animals and manual lifting

### ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

Completing this course will provide you with:

- A nationally recognised qualification at Certificate II level
- Strong foundation to continue your studies

#### **Career opportunities:**

- Pet groomer
- Animal attendant

#### **GROW YOUR CAREER**

Take your career further:

- Certificate III Animal Studies
- Certificate III Companion Animal Services
- Certificate III Pet Grooming
- Certificate III Captive Animals
- Certificate IV Veterinary Nursing
- Certificate IV Companion Animal Services

#### **INDUSTRY DEMAND**

Demand for animal care workers is booming with growth driven by consumer expectations on how their furry companion should be cared for. These greater expectations is leading to employers to need workers who are qualified and experienced. The animal care field is broad and highly competitive. The course equips you with diverse range of skills to put you ahead of the pack in a skills shortage climate. It is also the official pre-requisite for the Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing.

## **Entry Requirements**

When you study with TAFE NSW, we want you to succeed. Entry requirements allow us to make sure that you have the right pre-existing knowledge and skills to achieve your chosen qualification. You will need to provide evidence that you meet the requirements listed in this section.

#### **TRAINING PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS**

There are no Training Package entry requirements for this qualification.

#### **TAFE NSW REQUIREMENTS**

To be eligible for this course, you must:

- Have access to an animal care facility where you can gain hands-on skills
- In some areas across NSW this course is in high demand. Depending on your campus location, you may need to go through an application process to secure your position.

#### **LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification.

#### **WORK PLACEMENT**

At TAFE NSW we provide training that includes hands-on, practical experience. Work placement ensures you have the job ready skills to achieve competency in this course.

Depending on your location, you must secure a minimum of one day or 8 hours of work placement per week with a suitable industry employer, before enrolling this course.

Work placement can involve paid or volunteer arrangements. We recommend you chose a work placement that aligns with your career goals. For example, a veterinary clinic if you would like to be a veterinary nurse, or a wildlife park if you would like to be a ranger.

The animal industry is highly competitive, so to ensure you secure placement we suggest you visit the facilities you are interested in and introduce yourself with your resume in hand. TAFE NSW will cover your workplace insurance while you are actively enrolled and on placement. Detailed information regarding

this is provided to you upon enrolment.

### **BE PREPARED**

To be prepared for this course, it is recommended that you have:

- A passion for animals and their welfare
- A reasonable fitness level to handle animals and carry out manual lifting

To successfully complete this course, you will need: It is recommended (but not required) that the learner complete some work experience in the industry.

## **Information Sessions and more about the course**

It's all happening at TAFE NSW InfoFest. [Register](#) for an information session to broaden your skills set to get ahead. Can't find an Information Session for you? [Enquire Online](#) or call 131601.

### **INFORMATION SESSIONS**

There are no information sessions currently scheduled for this course.

### **STUDY COMMITMENT**

This is a part time evening face to face course. You will need to attend approximately 3.5 hours of class, over 1 day a week, for 36 weeks. As well as the in-class component, you will need to complete approximately 5 hours of other study per week.

You may also be required to complete approximately 10 hours of additional study each week outside of class hours, including reading, pre and post class activities and work experience.

### **IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOU?**

This course offering is designed for people who: This is a general qualification for entry into sectors of the animal care and management industry, where workers provide care for animals in workplaces such as:

- animal shelters
- kennels
- catteries
- sanctuaries and veterinary clinics. At this level, work takes place under direct supervision within clearly defined guidelines for work activities.

### **SERVICES AND STUDY SUPPORT**

We offer student services and study support to ensure you can achieve your goals. Learn about TAFE NSW [Student Services](#)

As a TAFE NSW student in this course, you will have access to:

- LinkedIn Learning (formerly Lynda.com)
- Studiosity - online access to a real life tutor
- Easy computing online short courses
- Access to local TAFE libraries

## **Attendance**

This course is currently scheduled on Tuesdays, from 6.00pm to 9.30pm. This timetable may change and will be confirmed by your teacher.

# Fee Details

## SMART AND SKILLED FEES

This course is government-subsidised, meaning you pay a portion of the full course fee to TAFE NSW and the NSW Government will pay the balance. However, you must meet certain eligibility criteria for this to apply.

Depending on your previous qualifications and experience, your fee may be less than the maximum fee quoted. Your actual fee and eligibility for concession/exemption will be calculated and confirmed during the enrolment process. Payment plans are available through TAFE NSW for Smart and Skilled eligible qualifications.

For further information about eligibility and explanations of the different fee categories, visit [Are You Eligible?](#)

## READ BEFORE YOU ENROL

Learn about TAFE NSW [Fees](#)

Learn about TAFE NSW [Payment/Funding](#)

## RECOGNITION

Recognition is a process of acknowledging previously completed qualifications, skills, knowledge or experience relevant to your course. This may reduce the amount of learning required, reduce your course fees and allow you to achieve your qualification faster.

Learn about Recognition at TAFE NSW [Recognition](#)

# How to Enrol

Enrolling with us is easy, though the exact process does depend on your course and any prerequisites that go with it. Be sure to read all course information carefully to make sure it is the right qualification, location and study type for you. Enrol and pay online via our secure payment gateway to secure your place. As you progress through the enrolment process you will be prompted to provide additional information.

For further information or assistance, call 131 601.

Find out more about [Applying and Enrolling](#)

# Units

ACMGAS201	Work in the animal care industry
ACMGAS202	Participate in workplace communications
ACMGAS203	Complete animal care hygiene routines
ACMGAS204	Feed and water animals
ACMGAS205	Assist in health care of animals
ACMGAS206	Provide basic first aid for animals
ACMSUS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
ACMWHS201	Participate in workplace health and safety processes
ACMGAS207	Provide reception services for an animal care facility
ACMSPE304	Provide basic care of domestic dogs
ACMSPE305	Provide basic care of domestic cats
ACMVET202	Carry out daily practice routines

# Career Opportunities

Animal attendant, animal carer.