

COURSE CODE

ACM20117

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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

National Course Code: ACM20117 | TAFE NSW Code: ACM20117-01V01-20RMD-102

Qualification Level	Certificate II
Study Type	PT Evening
Course Start Date	Enquire Now
Hours Per Week	6.6
Duration	36 Weeks
Delivery Locations	Richmond
Course Fees	<p>Subsidised Prices First Qualification: \$1,120.00 Second Qualification: \$1,340.00 Traineeship: \$1,000.00 You may be eligible for the NSW Smart & Skilled Fee Free Traineeship which will be verified at enrolment. Concession: \$160.00</p> <p>Non-subsidised Prices 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

With 130 locations across the state, TAFE NSW tailors qualifications to the needs of local students and specific cohorts (like apprentices, fast-tracked students and online students). This means you will also need to meet any entry requirements listed below.

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To be enrolled in this course, you need to be able to provide evidence that you are:

- Learners are required to have work placement arranged prior to enrolment into the CII Animal Studies Qualification. Workplacement for the Companion Animals Career path can be any industry workplace. Evidence must be provided before enrolment - evidence can be an email or letter.

To successfully complete this course, you will need:

- Attend weekly classes, have industry work placement. Complete all required assessment events. Be physically fit to be able to handle and restrain animals.
-150 hours in a Animal industry workplace - log book provided during orientation session first day of class.

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 SESSION

To find out more about this course, meet our teachers and receive information about enrolment and next steps, attend an information session. Tuesday, 10 December 2019 at 1 pm or 4pm Thursday, 12 December 2019 at 1 pm or 4pm

Tuesday, 21 January 2020 at 1 pm or 4pm

Thursday, 23 January 2020 at 1 pm or 4pm

Location: Building J, Cumberland Room Campus: Richmond Campus

This is a Part-time Evening Blended course. You will need to attend approximately 6.6 hours of class a week, over 2 days per week, for 36 weeks over 1 year. The timetable is subject to change and will be confirmed by your teacher on your first day.

Classes are currently scheduled on Monday and Wednesday from 6 pm - 9 pm.

As well as the in-class component, there is 6.1 hours of online study per week.

You can also expect approximately 8.2 hours of additional study each week including, work placement in industry workplace of 0.5 day per week or 150 hours concurrently over the 12 months outside of class hours.

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOU?

This course offering is designed for people who:

- Are interested in pursuing a career with Animals! This course is streamed toward a Companion Animals career path and offers 3 specific Companion animal electives. However 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](#)

Plus, as a TAFE NSW student in this course, you will have access to additional learning and study tools:

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

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Attendance

Learners are required to attend TAFE 2 evenings per week for 36 weeks and work placement with in an Animal Industry Workplace for 0.5 day per week (150 hours block period allowed).

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?](#)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

You will need to provide the following resources for yourself: Learners are required to be work ready; scrub tops, long pants and appropriate footwear must be worn. Scrubs tops can be purchased at TAFE or learners can acquire themselves.

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

Semester one starts early February 2020. Enquire now to be notified when enrolments open. To find out more information on this course including the next start date, submit an online enquiry by clicking the **Enquire Now** button on this page, or call 131 601 during business hours* to chat with a member of our friendly customer service team.

*Our customer service team are available from Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm AEST.

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 your chosen 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.

If you are interested in studying as a Trainee or Apprentice please call 131 601 for full details.

Units

ACMGAS205	Assist in health care of animals
ACMGAS203	Complete animal care hygiene routines
ACMGAS204	Feed and water animals
ACMSUS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
ACMGAS202	Participate in workplace communications
ACMWHS201	Participate in workplace health and safety processes
ACMGAS206	Provide basic first aid for animals
ACMGAS201	Work in the animal care industry
ACMGAS208	Source information for animal care needs
ACMSPE305	Provide basic care of domestic cats
ACMSPE304	Provide basic care of domestic dogs
ACMGAS209	Provide information on companion animals, products and services

Career Opportunities

Animal attendant, animal carer.