

Animal Health Technology

Two Year Diploma



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WORKING WITH ANIMALS AND THEIR PEOPLE

If you have a passion for animals and enjoy working with people, our Animal Health Technology diploma program can put you on the right track to your dream job. Imagine spending everyday working closely with animals and their owners, knowing that your efforts are making a difference in the health of an animal. Whether you prefer working with large or small animals this program provides you with the skills necessary to succeed in your chosen field.

Program Description

If you have a genuine interest in animals and enjoy working with people, this program may be for you. You will receive training in a wide variety of medical procedures such as anesthesia induction and monitoring, surgical assistance, laboratory testing, diagnostic imaging, dentistry, animal nursing, emergency care and veterinary office procedures. Upon graduating you will be qualified to work under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian in your choice of a wide number of animal related fields.

Applicants for the Animal Health Technology (AHT) program have a choice of delivery options. Students may elect to enter the on-campus delivery option which occurs during the regular academic year, or the on-line delivery option.

The on-line delivery option features on-line delivery of the theory components during the regular academic year. Students then attend the Olds College campus for intense hands-on training during the summer months. This delivery option is completed over 26 months (with a 2 month summer break). It allows the learner to complete the majority of the program at home, yet delivers the same amount of great hands-on training as the on-campus delivery option. This option also has a six week industry practicum.

Applicants are advised that the Animal Health Technology program is physically demanding. Students should be in good health and be physically capable of

What people say about us...

“Olds College provides an environment of academic excellence and diverse practical training, resulting in an education that is well respected by industry.”

— Eve Hollman

— Animal Health Technology Graduate



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performing the program requirements. Students are actively involved in animal care throughout the program.

PROGRAM DELIVERY OPTIONS

On-Campus Delivery Option:

- First Year - on-campus from September to April
- Second Year - on-campus from September to April

On-Line Delivery Option:

- First Year - on-campus July and August. On-line from September to mid April. On-campus mid April to June.
- Second Year - On-line from September to April. On-campus from mid April to June. Industry Practicum July to Mid August.

What people say about us...

“The Animal Health Technology program at Olds College is a very reputable program with high standards for its graduating students. The students are well educated, highly professional and dedicated to their career. Instructors provide complete educational training for all areas of veterinary medicine. Students leave Olds College properly prepared for the changing and challenging needs in today’s veterinary profession.”

➤ Dr. Lisa Lomsnes

➤ Lomsnes Veterinary Hospital

➤ Red Deer, Alberta

Admission Requirements

Applicants must have:

- a) High School Diploma or its equivalent
- b) 60% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2
- c) 60% or better in Pure Math 30 or Applied Math 30
- d) 60% or better in Biology 30
- e) 60% or better in Chemistry 30
- f) Completed 40 hours of volunteer and/or paid work experience (Note: 80 hour requirement for summer 2011 applicants only)
- g) Submit a Work Experience Verification Form

Alternate Admissions Status:

Alternate admission status will apply for those students that have not achieved the high school diploma admission requirement. The applicant must meet all other course requirements as above.

Program Selections

Selection for the Animal Health Technology program is on a first qualified, first admitted basis and is based on:

- a) Academic admission requirements
- b) 40 hours of volunteer and/or paid work experience
- c) Work Experience Verification Form

➤ The 40 hours of volunteer and/or paid work experience from a single Canadian veterinary clinic must be completed within two years prior to the program start date (i.e. September 1, 2010 to September 1, 2012 for the September 2012 on-campus delivery option, and July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2012 for the July 2012 on-line delivery option)

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COURSES

- Introduction to Veterinary Laboratory Procedures
- Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging
- Animal Nutrition
- Animal Health Client Relations
- Veterinary Anesthesiology
- Veterinary Surgical and Dental Procedures
- Large Animal Clinical Procedures
- Professional Practice
- Communications and Personal Management

For a full listing of program courses visit www.oldscollege.ca/programs

Career Opportunities

As a competent paraprofessional, you will become a valuable member of an animal health care team. You will be qualified to work with veterinarians in companion animal, large animal, mixed, specialty and equine practices.

Other career opportunities include:

- Zoos ➤
- Diagnostic/Research laboratories ➤
- Livestock operations ➤
- Industry/sales ➤
- Wildlife rehabilitation centres ➤
- Educational programs ➤

Olds College leads real-life, hands-on education in Canada. We help you explore your passion.



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