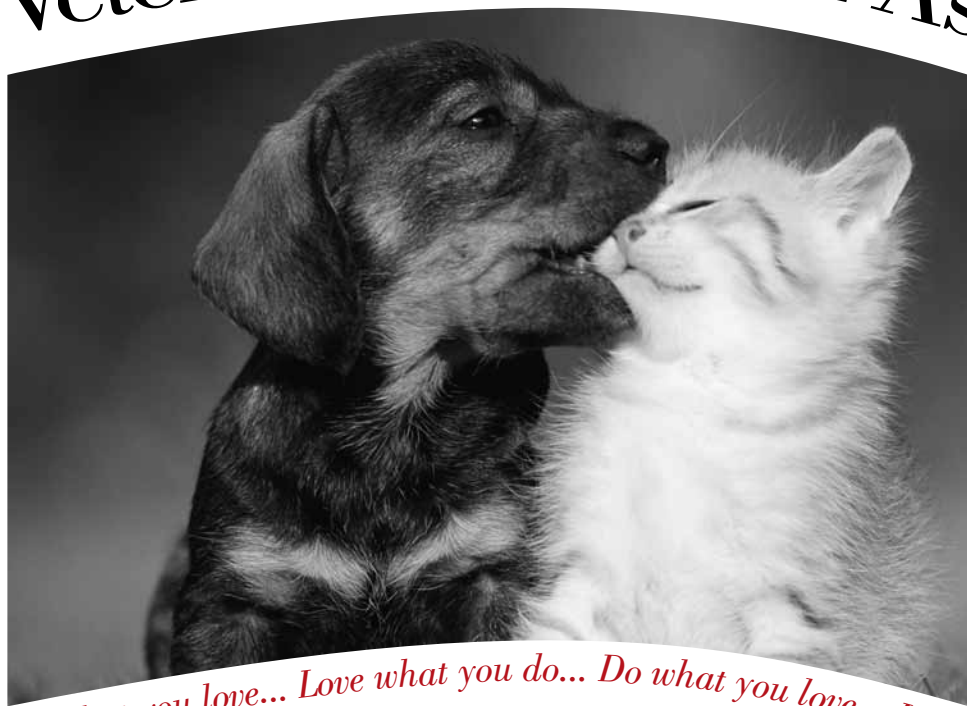


# Veterinary Technical Assistant

Certificate



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## JOBS WITH ANIMALS!

If you have a genuine love of animals and their health and well-being, this new 15 week program may be of interest to you. This certificate program is for people who would like to work along side other veterinary professionals, shelter staff, or work in the small animal industry.

## Program Description

In as little as four months you could receive a Veterinary Technical Assistant certificate.

This is an on-campus program consisting of five courses that will run during our regular academic year and can be taken in either September or January.

Students will learn how to safely handle and restrain animals that are being cared for in a veterinary hospital, animal shelter, boarding or pet facility. The primary focus will be on basic care and husbandry of cats and dogs.

Students will also learn about common procedures performed on small animals in a veterinary setting and learn how to assist veterinarians and animal health technologists.

Learners will have the opportunity to operate and maintain equipment used in veterinary hospitals or animal care facilities.

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**Discovery Day** - September

**Program Preview Days**-  
October, November and February

**Open House** - March



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## Admission Requirements

### Applicants must have:

- High School Diploma or its equivalent
- 50% or better in Pure or Applied Math 20
- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2
- 50% or better standing in Biology 20

OR

### Alternate Admissions Status:

Alternate Admission Status applies if you do not meet the Alberta high school requirements of the program to which you are applying, or if you received your high school education through home based learning. Alternate Admission Status students may be required to meet specific program admission requirements. To apply under this status, you must submit a transcript(s) showing any completed high school and post-secondary courses, a statement in support of your application outlining aspects of your background and experience that might have prepared you for the program. Documents such as a resume, letters of reference from previous educators or employers, and/or a portfolio of related academic/project work must be included with your application.

## Veterinary Technical Assistant Program

### COURSES

- Small Animal Restraint & Handling
- Principles of Clinical Procedures
- Veterinary Equipment & Instrumentation
- Patient Preparation & Husbandry
- Communication & Career Preparation

For a full listing of program courses visit [www.oldscollege.ca/programs](http://www.oldscollege.ca/programs)

### Career Opportunities

Students will have the opportunity to be employed in veterinary clinics, animal shelters, boarding facilities, and pet stores.

Many veterinary hospitals employ assistant staff to work with veterinarians and animal health technologists to provide basic supportive care to animals.



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