

ACM20121 Certificate II in Animal Care

DESCRIPTION

This qualification describes the skills and knowledge for entry-level and support roles in the animal care and management industry, where workers provide care for animals in workplaces such as animal shelters, boarding/daycare facilities, sanctuaries, and veterinary clinics. The work activities are routine, performed under supervision, and within clearly defined guidelines.

No licensing, legislative, or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To ensure you have the right skills and support to succeed in your course, a Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LL&N) evaluation helps identify any areas where you may need additional support to help you achieve your goals.

To gain entry into **ACM20121 Certificate II in Animal Care** candidates require the following:

- Complete placement in an animal care facility for 20 days over their studies.**

DELIVERY DETAILS

Detail which modes are available in which locations.

Location(s)	Duration*	Study mode
Katherine Rural	6-12 month (Full time)	Blended
Workplace	12-18 months (Part time)	
Other		

* Duration will vary depending upon how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.

** If you don't meet this requirement, contact the CDU delivery team/Lecturer to discuss your options.

Students engage with learning aspects of the course through Learnline, which is CDU's premier Learning Management System.

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2023 FEES

The 2023 indicative fee for this course is \$657.00 for eligible students and receive an NT Domestic Subsidised place or \$6,570.00 for Domestic Full fee places. Actual fees will vary according to your choice of units.

Please note: A limited number of NT Government subsidy places are available for eligible NT domestic students, so contact us now to secure your place for 2023.

Fees are subject to change annually. Indicative government-subsidised and full course fees are shown on this document. For further clarification and information on fees, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to [VET Fees and Payments](#).

ASSESSMENT

Assessments vary with each unit. You will be provided with an assessment guide.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you've gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, [VET RPL](#).

RESOURCES

For the course, it is a requirement to use the BSAVA Textbook of Veterinary Nursing 6th Edition for the duration of the studies. This can be obtained online or by arrangement with CDU. These textbooks provide the underpinning knowledge required for the units of competency. Access to the internet and a suitable device will also be required for this course.

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Further training pathways from this qualification include but are not limited to Certificate IV Veterinary Nursing.

Possible occupations relevant to this qualification include:

- dog groomer assistant
- animal care or pet shop attendant
- animal shelter attendant
- kennel hand or cattery attendant
- veterinary assistant

QUALIFICATION CONTENT

To achieve **ACM20121 Certificate II in Animal Care**, a total of twelve (12) units of competency must be completed comprising seven (07) core and five (05) elective units as detailed in the packaging rules and listed below. The electives offered may vary between campuses.

CORE UNITS

ACMGEN201	Work in the animal care industry
ACMGEN202	Complete animal care hygiene routines
ACMGEN203	Feed and water animals
ACMGEN204	Assist in health care of animals
ACMSUS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
ACMWHS201	Participate in workplace health and safety processes
BSBCMM211	Apply communication skills

ELECTIVE UNITS

ACMINF201	Handle companion animals safely and follow infection control guidelines
ACMSPE316	Provide general care of domestic dogs
ACMSPE317	Provide general care of domestic cats
HLTAID011	Provide First Aid

Also list any pre-requisite or co-requisite units.

WITHDRAWING FROM A QUALIFICATION

You may withdraw from this qualification and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The University supplies support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at [Student Support](#).

CONTACT DETAILS

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For further information regarding student life at CDU, please refer to <https://www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life>.