



# Introduction to Veterinary Profession

AHT 1050

Dual Credit Program through Olds College, online, asynchronous, September - December, 2022

## Program Description

Students will become familiar with selected animal health organizations and will adhere to the regulations of veterinary medicine in Alberta. Students are introduced to strategies and techniques for managing self and interacting with others. Students will examine animal welfare and ethical issues. This course provides students with foundational veterinary medical terminology they will use throughout their career.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will earn three post-secondary credits for AHT 1050 Intro to Veterinary Profession, and five 30-level high school credits. This course is part of the Animal Health Technology Diploma program at Olds College.

## Student Eligibility and Prerequisites

**Applications for this program are open to all full time, teacher-instructed CESD students:**

1. Who are excited about learning and sharing their ideas
2. Who are in grades 10, 11 or 12 and who have an interest in learning about the Veterinary Profession.
3. Who are able to commit to the duration of the program, participating in learning activities and completing assignments and tests as scheduled, and who can meet regularly with the Off Campus Teacher to communicate about progress in the course and to identify strategies for success.
4. **Prerequisite:** English Language Arts 10-1 (70% minimum)

## Important Dates

- **Applications due:** September 16, 2022
- **Schedule:** asynchronous online - follow course schedule, Sept. - Dec 2022

## Program Benefits

1. Earn five 30-level high school options credits and three post-secondary credits without paying post-secondary tuition
2. Reduce stress associated with the transition from high school to post-secondary
3. Experience a post-secondary online learning environment and explore potential Post Secondary and career options

## Estimated Costs

1. Tuition - \$0 (**savings of approximately \$500**)

## Course Outline

Upon successful completion of this course, students will have the following competencies:

- a. Describe the roles and responsibilities for each member of the veterinary healthcare team.
- b. Develop learning and career goals based on strengths, areas to develop, interests, skills and talents.
- c. Apply selected interpersonal techniques for effective communication.
- d. Apply general rules to veterinary medical word building and analysis.
- e. Apply critical thinking to animal welfare situations.

## Additional Information

- Students' marks will appear on their high school transcript as well as their post-secondary transcript.
- Students should have the support and guidance of their parents if they are to pursue online dual credit opportunities.
- Deadlines Matter! Students must be able to communicate with the instructor and the key school contact when alternative arrangements need to be made.
- The student understands the expectations of the dual credit program by realizing that they should be working on these opportunities for a minimum of 5-10 hours a week.