

## Next Generation: Veterinary Nursing Assistant (Companion Animals) Level 5 41 Weeks – Fulltime



The programme is approved by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority under section 249 of the Education Act 1989, and Ag Challenge Ltd is accredited to provide it under section 250 of the Act.

<b>Graduate Profile</b>	<p>Graduates of this qualification will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>work in client business interface of animal related facility.</li> </ul> <p><b>Graduates with the Veterinary Nursing Assistant strand will also be able to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>maintain animal health and husbandry of animals in a veterinary clinic</li> <li>care for hospitalized patients</li> <li>assist in surgery preparation and anaesthesia</li> <li>assist with routine diagnostic procedures.</li> </ul> <p><i>Qualification: New Zealand Certificate in Animal Technology (Level 5) with the strand Veterinary Nursing Assistant NZ2490</i></p>
<b>Employment Pathway</b>	Graduates of this qualification may be employed as veterinary nursing assistants working with companion or rural animals.

Unit Schedule	Unit Standard Title	NZQA Credits	Level
<b>Work in Client Business Interface of Animal Related Facility</b>			
5195	Demonstrate knowledge and skills for providing veterinary reception services	6	3
5191	Admit and discharge animal patients	4	3
21384	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of professional behaviour for veterinary nurses	3	3
<b>Maintain Animal Health and Husbandry of Animals in a Veterinary Clinic</b>			
AVN16001	Apply Knowledge of Animal Anatomy and Physiology to duties of an assistant veterinary Nurse	10	4
AVN16002	Manage the health and husbandry of dogs and cats in the role of an assistant veterinary nurse.	9	4
5189	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of health and safety in an animal facility	4	3
21380	Describe animal facility environmental hygiene and carry out hygienic practices	5	3
5192	Dispense animal drugs as directed by the veterinarian	3	3
19894	Describe zoonoses, notifiable exotic zoonoses, and their control, in New Zealand	5	3
5179	Conduct preliminary clinical examination of an animal	3	4
5181	Provide emergency first aid care to companion animal	8	5
5222	Recognise and interpret problems of behaviour in companion animals	5	5
5183	Handle and transport injured companion animals	2	3

5165	Describe parturition and after care of companion animals	3	3
5206	Nurse geriatric animals	4	5
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<b>Care For Hospitalised Patients</b>			
5160	Nurse a hospitalised animal patient	5	3
5200	Prepare for an intravenous drip, and monitor an animal while on fluid therapy	4	4
<b>Assist in Surgery Preparation and Anaesthesia</b>			
5155	Prepare animal patients for surgery	5	4
5156	Assist with animal surgery as a circulating veterinary nurse	8	5
5158	Assist the veterinarian with animal anaesthetic and analgesic procedures	18	5
<b>Assist with Routine Diagnostic Procedures</b>			
VNA007	Introduction to Diagnostic and Imaging in the role of Veterinary Nursing Assistant	8	3
		<b>Total Credits:</b>	<b>122</b>

<b>Course Starts: 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 with enrolments any time during the year</b>	
<b>Course Contact Days: Monday - Friday</b>	<b>Number Weeks Including Holidays: 41</b>
<b>Tutor: Melanie Thompson</b>	<b>Course costs: \$6327.00 incl GST</b>
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