

Animal Care

TAFE course enrolment number	1045	Is this course available for school-based trainees?	Yes
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VET credential available	Certificate II in Animal Studies (RUV20104)
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BOS course name	Pattern of study	BOS course number	Schools Online entry advice
Animal Care (240 hours)	2 units x 2 years	41913	Enter this course number for both Preliminary (Year 11) and HSC (Year 12)
	or 4 units x 1 year	41914	Enter this course number for either Preliminary (Year 11) or HSC (Year 12)

Exclusions	None
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Access including access by students in Stage 5.	In certain circumstances students in Stage 5 may access a Stage 6 VET course while also completing the requirements for the award of the School Certificate. Further information is available on the Board of Studies website at www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/voc_ed/stage-5.html
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HSC unit credit and course requirements

HSC unit credit for VET courses can be accredited to the Preliminary and/or HSC pattern of study.

Animal Care (240 indicative hours)

- accredited for a total of 4 units at the Preliminary and/or HSC level
- attempt all Group 1 units of competency and units of competency from Group 2 and/or Group 3 to a minimum of 140 HSC indicative hours
- undertake a minimum of 70 hours of mandatory work placement.

For a course to count towards the HSC program of study students must satisfy the course completion criteria as required by the Board of Studies. Refer to Section 8.4 of the *Assessment, Certification and Examination (ACE) Manual*.

Under some circumstances, students' part-time work in an appropriate workplace may be used to fulfil work placement requirements. Refer to the *Assessment, Certification and Examination (ACE) Manual* or relevant Board of Studies Official Notices for further details.

AQF VET credential

To attain Certificate II in Animal Studies (RUV20104) students must achieve 10 units of competency including:

- all core units from Group 1 (5 units of competency)
- 3 elective units from Group 2
- an additional 2 elective units from Group 2 and/or Group 3.

TAFE delivered HSC VET Content Endorsed Course Description (2009)

Course content

Unit code	Unit title	Core (C) or elective (E) for AQF VET qualification	Prerequisites	Indicative hours for HSC credit
Group 1				
RUV2101A	Work in the animal care industry	A – core	nil	20
RUV2102A	Follow OHS procedures in an animal care environment	A – core	nil	20
RUV2103A	Assist with general animal care	A – core	nil	20
RUV2104A	Provide food and water for animals	A – core	nil	20
RUV2105A	Participate in workplace communications	A – core	nil	20
1040W	Work placement – animal care industry 1	–	–	0
Group 2 (for Certificate II outcome, attempt a minimum of 3 units of competency from this group)				
RUV2106A	Assist with food preparation	B – elective	nil	20
RUV2107A	Provide basic first aid for animals	B – elective	nil	20
RUV2108A	Rescue animals and apply basic animal care	B – elective	nil	20
RUV2401A	Prepare for and conduct a tour or presentation	B – elective	nil	20
RUV2501A	Provide information on companion animals, products and services	B – elective	nil	20
RTC2704A	Provide basic first aid	B – elective	nil	10
RUV2601A	Carry out veterinary reception duties #	B – elective	nil	30
RUV2602A	Carry out daily clinic routines #	B – elective	nil	30
RUV2603A	Assist with surgery preparations #	B – elective	nil	30
Group 3 (for Certificate II outcome, attempt a maximum of 2 units of competency from this group)				
RUV1101A	Prepare for animal care work	C – elective	nil	20
RUV1102A	Support animal care work	C – elective	nil	20
RUV1103A	Support animal care cleaning activities	C – elective	nil	20
RUV1104A	Maintain the animal care workplace	C – elective	nil	20
RUV3305A	Carry out simple breeding procedures	C – elective	nil	30
RUV3501A	Provide advice on companion animal selection and general care	C – elective	nil	30
RUV3502A	Provide advice on selection and care of aquatic animals	C – elective	nil	30
RUV3505A	Provide enrichment for companion animals	C – elective	nil	30
RUV3507A	Carry out companion animal breeding procedures	C – elective	nil	30
RUV3509A	Maintain aquascapes and aquatic animals	C – elective	nil	30
RTE2121A	Provide daily care for horses	C – elective	nil	40
Total HSC indicative hours				240

RUV2601A Carry out veterinary reception duties, RUV2602A Carry out daily clinic routines and RUV2603A Assist with surgery preparations are suitable for school-based trainees working in a veterinary clinic or students who have volunteer work in a veterinary clinic. Components of assessment for these units of competency must be carried out in the workplace. These 3 units of competency articulate into the Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing.

For further information

Refer to the following websites:

www.det.nsw.edu.au/vetinschools/vet/tvet/index.html

www.tafensw.edu.au → Find a course → TVET for schools