Occupational Endorsement Certificate in Veterinary Assisting

This program is delivered only through Matanuska-Susitna College.

A veterinary assistant plays a vital role within the veterinary profession. In the Veterinary Assisting Occupational Endorsement Certificate, students learn how to assist and support the veterinarian and the veterinary technician in their daily tasks. Students will learn the fundamentals required for the care, treatment and management of both the animals as patients and people as clients. Students learn the fundamentals of good customer service, communication skills and the essentials of clerical responsibilities. They further learn the fundamental skills of proper handling, nutrition and nursing care for both large and small animals. Students are introduced to clinical patient management and laboratory procedures.

Admission Requirements

- Complete the Admission Requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/academicpoliciesprocesses/admissions/undergraduate/).

Graduation Requirements

- Complete the General University Requirements for Occupational Endorsement Certificates (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/oecrequirements/).
- Complete the following program requirements with a minimum grade of C:

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Total 21

A minimum of 21 credits is required for the degree.