VET 1100

Intro to Animal Sciences

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Course Credits 1

Required Text

Notes from lecture in Angel

Course Description

This course will introduce the student to the options available to them in animal science careers. It will involve some field trips off-site, so transportation (or ability to carpool) is recommended. Previous work experiences in Veterinary Medicine or related fields, as well as graduation from a Veterinary or Animal Science Curriculum preclude this course as a prerequisite for veterinary science. 1 credit hour, 2 classroom hours for 8 weeks.

Course Objectives

- 1. Develop an understanding of the careers available which involve working with animals.
- 2. Be able to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of different careers
- Determine whether employment in one of the discussed animal science careers would be feasible for the student

Tentative Schedule (Will vary as field trip sites are available)

Class #

Week 1. What are Animal Sciences? What are Veterinary Sciences?

Overview of Veterinary, Research, Wildlife Rehab, Zoo, Exotic Animal, Groomer, Trainer, Kennel Worker/Farm Hand, Food and Fiber production

Quiz on Overview, Quiz on Veterinary Sciences

Week 2. Wildlife Rehabilitation, Zoo and Exotic Animals and Food and Fiber Production

*Week 3. Field Trip to Heaven's Corner in W. Alexandria 9-11 am \$10

Quiz on Zoo Animals, Wildlife, Exotics, Quiz on Food and Fiber Production

Week 4. Grooming and Training, Working in Research

Quiz on Grooming and Training, Quiz on Working in Research

*Week 5. Field Trip to Petsmart, Centerville (Feedwire Rd)

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Week 6. Presentations of assignment

Week 7. Presentations of assignment and review for Final

Week 8. Comprehensive Final

* We will be scheduling field trips for at least two of these class times, and will meet at the locations.

Course Requirements

Come prepared to discuss and challenge the instructor in a constructive and academic manner for each topic we cover. Discussion in class is expected. Bring a binder or folder for extra papers. You will also need clean, pressed scrubs of a solid color or business casual attire (see below). We will be visiting several places off-site and we expect students to represent Sinclair in the best manner possible. The off-site visits will require personal transportation, but we will attempt to carpool as much as possible. A trip as far as Columbus or Northern Kentucky is a possibility.

Business casual = khakis or other similar dress pants (no jeans or shorts), a nice blouse or collared shirt, and close-toed shoes. You may also wear clean, pressed scrubs (with a shirt underneath for appropriate coverage if needed), solid colors preferably. If you are not dressed appropriately for field trips or guest lecturers, you will be asked to leave and will not be permitted to make up the class. Please show respect for yourself, your classmates, your instructor and your school and dress appropriately!

Course Prerequisites

There are no requirements for taking this course.

Course Links

Grading Policy

You are responsible for correct spelling and grammar in all items passed in. Lateness on an assignment will cause the assignment to be marked down.

35% Quizzes

20% Project presentations will be on 10/2 and 10/9 (prior to the final)

45% Final (comprehensive) 10/9 (Week 8)

Grade Scale: 90-100% = A

80-89% = B

70-79% = C

60-69% = D

59% and below = F

You MUST earn a 70% or better to be eligible for the Intro to Veterinary Technology Course

Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory at all classes unless I have prior written request and an attempt is made to make up

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the class in a timely manner (within 2 weeks of the missed class). Field Trips will NOT be able to be made up. Please contact me as SOON as you know that you have to miss a class.

**All cell phones/electronic devices are to be turned off and placed in your book bag during class time. Students not adhering to this policy will be asked to leave the lab and this will be considered an absence. **

Exam Policy

Quizzes are worth 35% of your letter grade Projects are worth 20% of your letter grade The Final is worth 45% of your letter grade

Academic Integrity

I expect my students to do their own work, keep their eyes on their own page, not copy from other sources without reference, etc. Beyond that, we will be practicing professionalism and ethics - and you will be graded on your academic integrity as a part of that. Students will not be permitted to take pictures during labs, much less share in any form of social media. Posting of comments derogatory to the program, the students, faculty, or staff will be considered terms for dismissal from the class and the program.

Disability Policy

All students, regardless of ability, will be held to the same standards. All efforts to provide assistance to students with disabilities to perform the same tasks and learn the same skills will be offered. Veterinary medicine is a highly active and physical field, however, and animals can be unpredictable, so some activities will be limited if a danger to the student is a possibility.

Miscellaneous

\$10 may be needed for admission into a field-trip site.

Field Trips are not madatory, but are HIGHLY Recommended. Some of the exam questions will be easier if the student engages in all aspects of the course.