

**Colby Community College  
Distance Learning Veterinary Nursing Program  
Suggested Part-Time Curriculum**

**Prerequisites**

<b>Course ID</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
EN176	English Composition I	3
CH176	Fundamentals of Chemistry w/Lab <b>OR</b>	
CH177	Chemistry I w/Lab	4-5
BI100	General Biology w/Lab <b>OR</b>	
BI177	Biology I w/Lab <b>OR</b>	
BI179	Biology II w/Lab	4-5
	Social/Behavioral Science Elective	3
AG149	Principles of Animal Science	3
SP101	Fundamentals of Oral Communication <b>OR</b>	
SP106	Interpersonal Communication <b>OR</b>	
SP176	Public Speaking	3
VN126	Veterinary Medical Terminology <b>OR</b>	1
AL102	Medical Terminology	1-3
VN115	Introduction to Veterinary Nursing	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>22-26</b>

**Distance Learning Veterinary Nursing Program Courses**

**This program requires selective admission.**

**Students with at least 12 credit hours of the prerequisite coursework completed with a “C” or better may enroll in First Term and Second Term courses (except VN137/138) with the approval of the Colby Community College Veterinary Nursing Program Director.**

**\*Please note:**

- **AG149 Principles of Animal Science, BI100 General Biology w/Lab or BI177 Biology I w/Lab or BI179 Biology II w/Lab, and CH176 Fundamentals of Chemistry with Lab or CH177 Chemistry I w/Lab are prerequisites for VN122 Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Nurses.**
- **AG149 Principles of Animal Science is a prerequisite for VN123 Basic Nutrition and VN122 Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Nurses is a prerequisite or co-requisite for VN123 Basic Nutrition.**
- **MA109 Math for Veterinary Nurses and VN122 Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Nurses are prerequisites or co-requisites for VN150 Veterinary Nursing Pharmacology I.**
- **VN122 Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Nurses is a prerequisite or co-requisite for VN134 Veterinary Immunology.**

**All prerequisite and program-specific coursework must be completed with a grade of “C” or better to meet prerequisite, co-requisite, and graduation requirements.**

**First Term – Courses Offered Spring, Summer, and Fall Semesters**

MA109	Math for Veterinary Nurses	2
VN119	Breeds of Domestic Animals	1
VN121	Medical Records and Veterinary Office Skills	2
VN124	Mentorship Preparation	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>6</b>

**Second Term – Courses Offered Spring, Summer, and Fall Semesters**

VN122	Anatomy and Physiology for Veterinary Nurses	4
VN123	Basic Nutrition of Domestic Animals	1
VN137	Animal Facility Management and Sanitation	1
VN138	Animal Facility Management and Sanitation Mentorship	0
VN150	Veterinary Nursing Pharmacology I <sup>+</sup>	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>

**Third Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN135	Small Animal Clinical Procedures	3
VN136	Small Animal Clinical Procedures Mentorship	0
VN143	Veterinary Parasitology	3
VN144	Veterinary Parasitology Mentorship	0
VN148	Veterinary Clinical Chemistry	2
VN149	Veterinary Clinical Chemistry Mentorship	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

**Fourth Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN134	Veterinary Immunology <sup>+</sup>	1
VN272	Veterinary Clinical Experience I <sup>+</sup>	2
VN273	Veterinary Hematology	3
VN274	Veterinary Hematology Mentorship	0
VN289	Common Animal Diseases <sup>+</sup>	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

+These courses are also offered during the summer semester.

**Fifth Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN151	Veterinary Nursing Pharmacology II <sup>+</sup>	3
VN279	Veterinary Clinical Experience II	2
VN287	Veterinary Cytology	2
VN288	Veterinary Cytology Mentorship	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>

+These courses are also offered during the summer semester.

**Sixth Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN283	Veterinary Anesthesiology and Analgesia	5
VN284	Veterinary Anesthesiology and Analgesia Mentorship	0
VN296	Veterinary Surgical Nursing	3

VN297	Veterinary Surgical Nursing Mentorship	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

**Seventh Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN263	Large Animal Clinical Procedures	3
VN264	Large Animal Clinical Procedures Mentorship	0
VN268	Laboratory Animal and Exotic Pet Medicine	2
VN269	Laboratory Animal and Exotic Pet Medicine Mentorship	1
VN277	Veterinary Nursing Microbiology	2
VN278	Veterinary Nursing Microbiology Mentorship	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

**Eighth Term – Courses Offered Spring and Fall Semesters**

VN290	Veterinary Imaging	3
VN291	Veterinary Imaging Mentorship	0
VN292	Veterinary Dentistry	1
VN293	Veterinary Dentistry Mentorship	0
VN210	Veterinary Technician National Examination Preparation	1
VN298	Veterinary Critical Care and Clinical Skills	3
VN299	Veterinary Critical Care and Clinical Skills Mentorship	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>8</b>

**Prerequisites total 22-26 credit hours.**

**Program specific courses total 60 credit hours.**

**Total required for graduation is 82 credit hours.**

**All Veterinary Nursing prerequisite and program specific courses must be passed with a grade of “C” or better to meet graduation requirements.**

**Elective Courses**

VN152	Physical Rehabilitation for Veterinary Nurses	1
VN199	Directed/Independent Study: Veterinary Nursing	1-3

The elective courses are offered during the spring, summer, and fall semesters.

**\*Please note:**

- The prerequisite courses for VN152 are VN135 Small Animal Clinical Procedures and VN136 Small Animal Clinical Procedures Mentorship.

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