

1ST YEAR STUDENT LEARNING CAPABILITIES FOR 1ST PRACTICUM 2 weeks held in December &/or January

ANESTHESIA

First year students have not been introduced to this subject yet

SMALL ANIMAL CARE

- 1. Perform physical exam, TPR & know normal ranges for these parameters
- 2. General bathing / grooming procedures
- 3. Administration of IV, IM, Sub Q, P/O medications no catheter placement knowledge
- 4. Enemas
- 5. Anal gland expression
- 6. Collect various samples blood, urine, fecal
- 7. Calculate nutritional needs for various types of patients
- 8. Understand the principles of enteral nutrition and techniques
- 9. Manage and deliver nursing care to pediatric and geriatric patients

ANIMAL DISEASES

- 1. Be able to recognize common diseases in small and large animals
- 2. Be able to give basic advice on the disease, its communicability and methods of prevention

DENTISTRY

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LABORATORY ANIMALS

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LARGE ANIMAL CARE

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LAB PROCEDURES

- 1. Microbiology
 - a. No knowledge of this subject yet
- 2. CBC
 - a. Perform White Blood cell estimate on blood film
 - b. Perform CBC & Differentials
 - c. Assess RBC morphology
- 3. Urinalysis
 - a. Not introduced into this subject yet
- 4. Clinical Chemistries
 - a. Understand the concept of quality control
 - b. Understand the methodology of and "trouble-shoot" dry serum chemistry techniques (we use Idexx equipment in the laboratory at TRU)
- 5. Parasitology
 - a. Not introduced to this subject yet
- 6. Understand the concept of ELISA tests and how to perform them

OFFICE/COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- 1. Be confident in Microsoft Word and Power Point
- 2. Students have been trained in the basic functions of a Veterinary Software package Cornerstone
- 3. Know how to prepare and write a proper business letter
- 4. Know how to communicate with clients, including telephone skills



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- 5. Know how to prepare a CV, and conduct an interview for employment
- 6. Know proper medical terminology
- 7. Maintain client medical files
- Understand the concept of client confidentiality & proper record keeping
- 9. Understand and support human animal relationships, including pet loss and grief
- 10. Conduct oneself in a professional and ethical manner
- 11. Writing a formal and informal report, including feasibility study
- 12. Write memos, reports and letters

PHARMACOLOGY

- 1. Understand the 5 rights
- 2. Creation of prescription labels
- 3. No pharmaceutical knowledge yet

RADIOLOGY

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SURGICAL ASSISTANCE

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COMPANION ANIMAL BEHAVIOR

- 1. Recognize normal behavior in dogs and cats
- 2. Interpret and apply learning behavior theory including classical and operant conditioning
- 3. Demonstrate positive, animal friendly management/restraint and training of animals
- 4. Identify common behavior concerns and problems in dogs and cats and describe/apply sound, basic behavior modification and training techniques to address those concerns
- 5. Assist clients and others in acquiring current knowledge about pet behavior; determining/attaining realistic behavior goals to facilitate positive pet-people relationships.
- 6. Fear free certified
- 7. Animal restraint for blood collection, SC/IM injections, including muzzles and cat bags

BACKGROUND COURSES

- 1. Anatomy of Domestic Animals several species examined
- 2. Immunology & Diseases- No knowledge of this subject yet
- 3. Math
 - a. Drug Calculations
 - c. Basic Statistical Data
 - d. Concentration / Volume Problems
 - e. Calculate IV fluid rates
- 4. Medical Terminology
- 5. WHMIS have written & passed WHMIS exam