

About This Opportunity

The Veterinary Technician/Nurse works within a Clinical Studies Centre and assists in the co-ordination of the Teaching Laboratory, which includes providing operational/technical assistance and instructional support to undergraduate practical teaching and continuing education workshops and seminars.

Key responsibilities include:

Technical

- Support the co-ordination of the Teaching Lab located within the Clinical Studies Centre including bookings, inventory, stock rotation and ordering as well as daily maintenance
- Carry out basic laboratory procedures (blood collection, analysis, etc)
- Assist with animal euthanasia
- Provide skillful and professional support to a large team of veterinary staff, including veterinary specialists
- Provide high quality medical and surgical nursing including the monitoring of anaesthesia and post operative care
- Carry out basic laboratory procedures (blood collection, analysis, etc)
- Liaise confidently and competently with a large team of veterinarians, veterinary specialists and support staff
- Undertake correct care, cleaning and maintenance of technical and specialised instrumentation and equipment
- Assist with radiography, Computer Tomography, Scintigraphy and M.R.I. procedures
- Competently perform diagnostic clinical pathology techniques

Support

- Provide administrative support as required in an efficient and effective manner
- Work with or liaise with kennel staff regarding the feeding and exercise of animals and provide assistance when necessary

Policy and Procedures

- Adhere to SOPs (standard operating procedures) for Nursing and contribute to review of SOPs

Teaching and Learning

- Work with or liaise with academic staff as required
- Attend teaching classes and practical surgery when required
- Provide assistance to students as required
- Assist in the preparation of practical teaching classes for students

Engagement

- Provide a high level of customer service to clinic clients, veterinary students, staff and other external clients, both by phone and in person

- Assist in the maintenance of the Veterinary School Animal Adoption Program (including conducting temperament assessments, screening potential adopters and advertising available animals)

Logistics

- Order stock and keep an up-to-date inventory

Digital

- Use practice management software to support the efficient administration and business management requirements

Other duties as reasonably requested by the supervisor.

4. Other

Ensure you are aware of and comply with legislation and University policy relevant to the duties undertaken, including but not exclusive to:

- The [University's Code of Conduct](#).
- Requirements of the Queensland occupational health and safety (OH&S) legislation and related [OH&S responsibilities and procedures](#) developed by the University or Institute/School.
- The adoption of sustainable practices in all work activities and compliance with associated legislation and related University [sustainability responsibilities and procedures](#).
- Requirements of the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000, the National Code 2007 and associated legislation, and related [responsibilities and procedures](#) developed by the University.

About You

- Qualifications and training equivalent to a Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing; or an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training including a current open drivers licence
- Knowledge and experience in the low stress husbandry, handling, restraint and care of animals, especially dogs, cats, birds, horses, pigs and sheep
- Experience in working with and handling animals in a laboratory/technical field
- Knowledge and experience in companion animal behaviour and medical and surgical nursing, including anaesthesia and analgesia monitoring of patients.
- Knowledge of the relevant codes and acts governing the use of animals in research and teaching
- Computer literacy in software applications for word processing, databases, spreadsheets and email and the ability to keep accurate records.
- An affinity for, and experience in handling animals, with a commitment to animal welfare
- Highly effective interpersonal skills, including the ability to work as a team member and establish cooperative working relationships with colleagues, staff across the University, students and external clients

- High level of organisational skills, including the ability to prioritise competing work demands independently and an ability to initiate improvements in work practices
- Commitment to upholding the University's values, and with the outstanding personal qualities of openness, respectfulness and integrity