

Veterinary Nurse

**LEVEL
3****Level: 3****Duration: 30-36 months****Delivery Models: Day Release**

Registered Veterinary Nurses (RVNs) are a vital part of the veterinary team. They work alongside veterinary surgeons to provide expert nursing care and support to animal patients and educate owners on maintaining the health of their pets.

As a vet nurse you should be hard working, passionate about animals, pragmatic and dedicated to your work; many veterinary nurses end up taking their work home with them – often quite literally in the form of kittens and puppies that need hand rearing or abandoned or stray animals! The work can involve long and unsociable hours, but the rewards from making a difference to the lives of animals and owners every day make the job so worthwhile.

Did you know?

Students achieving this apprenticeship standard will be eligible to apply for professional registration with the RCVS (accredited Licence to Practise Veterinary Nursing qualification at Level 3)



Skills an apprentice will learn

No two days are the same! Some of the tasks you may be involved with include:

- Preparing animals for surgery and performing minor surgical procedures
- Monitoring anaesthetised animals
- Nursing sick animals and administering medication
- Taking x-rays and carrying out diagnostic tests
- Advising owners on the health and welfare of their pets
- Taking bookings, payments and completing necessary paperwork
- Running nurse clinics, such as diet, worming and grooming consultations

Entry Requirements

Statutory requirement - 5 GCSEs to include Maths, English and Science of grade C and above or equivalent.

Qualifications Awarded

- Apprenticeship certificate
- Level 2 maths and English (if applicable)

End Point Assessment Content

Practical Assessment and professional discussion