**Veterinary Technician National Examination Preparation**

**VTHT 1291**

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**Course Description**:

This course is designed to prepare the student to sit for the Veterinary Technician National Examination and the Licensed Veterinary Technician Exam (Texas State Exam).

**Required Texts:**

Prendergast, Heather. *Review Questions and Answers for Veterinary Technicians.* Fifth Edition. St. Louis: Elsevier, 2017. ISBN 978-0-323-31695-8.

**Grading Scale:**

The following scale will be used:

A: 90-100 4.0

B: 80-89 3.0

C: 70-79 2.0

D: 60-69 1.0

F: Below 60 0.0

**Grading:**

Grades will come from pre-tests, classroom assignments, and online examinations. The categories are not weighted, but based on a points system. Your final grade percentage will be the total number of points you have earned throughout the course, divided by the total number of points available. Attendance will be calculated into your final grade at the completion of this course.

**Attendance Policy**:

You are considered absent if you arrive more than 15 minutes late, leave 15 minutes early, or miss more than 15 minutes total from class. Due to the fact that this course is 8 weeks, you are allowed 2 absences without your final grade being affected.

*Please refer to the student handbook regarding absences affecting your grade.*  *(See Labs for Lab attendance policy)*

To maintain professionalism, you must communicate with Dr. Dev or Dr. Mendoza via iGrade if you are going to be absent. Do not expect a reply. If you miss more than 2 days of this class during the 8 weeks, you will need to meet with instructors individually. All attendance is kept updated in iGrade daily. You have 3 class periods to dispute any absence or tardy; after that the tardy/absence stands as recorded. Reminder: **3 Tardies = 1 absence**

**Make-up Work:**

Class work must be made up within 24 hours of return to class; you will receive a maximum of 50% credit.

Tests will be made up for a maximum of 70% credit during the same class period as the final exam.

**iGrade**:

We communicate regularly through iGrade. Not being registered or not checking your account will not be an excuse for late work or missed communications.

**Food/Drink Policy**:

There is NO food or drink allowed in the computer lab unless it is water in a clear water bottle.

**Dress Code**:

Please refer to the student handbook for the appropriate attire for the classroom. If a student arrives out of dress code, they will be asked to leave the classroom and an absence will be given. Bring a calculator with you every day.

**Course Schedule**

\*Schedule is subject to change

**Day 1**

* Discuss syllabus
* Discuss the VTNE Candidate Information Handbook
  + Assignment
* State Exam Info
  + **Website:** <http://www.veterinary.texas.gov/lvt.php>
* Introduce Project: Path to Pass the VTNE calendar project

**Week 1-2**

* Domain 5: Animal Care and Nursing
* Tentative test date: Jan. 16th
* Chapter 571 state exam homework
  + Due: Jan 16th

**Week 2-3**

* Domain 7: Anesthesia
* Tentative Test date: Jan. 24th

**Week 3-4**

* Domain 1: Pharmacology
* Tentative test date: Jan 31st
* Chapter 573 state exam homework
  + Due: Jan 31st

**Week 4-5**

* Domain 4: Laboratory Procedures
* Tentative test date: Feb. 6th

**Week 5-6**

* Domain 2: Surgical Nursing
* Tentative test date: Feb. 12th
* VLA state exam homework
  + Due: Feb. 12th

**Week 6-7**

* Domain 3: Dentistry
* Domain 6: Diagnostic Imaging
* Tentative test date for both: Feb.20th

**Week 7-8**

* Domain 8: Emergency and Critical Care
* Domain 9: Pain Management/Analgesia
* Tentative test date: Feb. 27th
* State Exam test: Feb. 28th

**VTNE Study Resources**

* [**www.aavsb.org**](http://www.aavsb.org)
  + information on VTNE registration, test details, study guides, etc.
* [**www.vspn.org**](http://www.vspn.org)
  + free registration
  + numerous study guides for VTNE domains
* [**www.veterinary.texas.gov**](http://www.veterinary.texas.gov)
  + information on State Licensing exam registration, test details, study guides, etc.
* [**www.vettechprep.com**](http://www.vettechprep.com)
  + VTNE Prep program - $
* [**www.zukureview.com**](http://www.zukureview.com)
  + daily VTNE questions emailed to you