

# SVC CAREER PATHWAYS Veterinary Assistant

## IS A CAREER IN VETERINARY ASSISTANT RIGHT FOR ME?

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The Veterinary Assistant program is a collaborative educational program being offered through a partnership between Skagit Valley College and the **Northwest Career and Technical Academy (NCTA)**. The Academy occupies a new building on the SVC campus and opened its doors to students September 2010. The Academy specializes in hands-on professional-technical training taught by industry professionals in a variety of program areas.

### PREPARATION

- [GED](#)
- [ESL](#)
- [Pre-College \(Adult Basic Ed.\)](#)

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### STARTING CONSIDERATIONS

The Veterinary Assistant program is a three-quarter (two semester) certificate designed to provide entry-level skills and education to students interested in pursuing a career in the field of animal science. NCTA provides the classroom and clinical site for this program. This is a full-year program (Sept.-June) with courses scheduled sequentially. Students attend classes for 2.5 hours per day Monday – Friday. Students may enter this program Fall Quarter only.

- [Admissions: Getting Started](#)
- [Admissions Form](#)
- [Placement Assessment](#)

### PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES

[Veterinary Assistant Certificate](#) (32 Credits)

### EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES\*

[Veterinary Assistant \(\\$9.37 - \\$15.09\)](#)

### PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL ASSOCIATE DEGREES

[Bellingham Technical College](#) Veterinary Technician

### EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES\*

\*Wage data based on most local wage information available at [careerinfonet.org](http://careerinfonet.org)

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