### **VETT 107**

## **Veterinary Medical Terminology**

2 Credits

Community College of Baltimore County Common Course Outline

## **Description**

**VETT 107 – Veterinary Medical Terminology:** A study of the language of medicine, this course includes word construction, definitions, and use of words related to medical science in general. Focus is placed on the interpretation and translation of medical records and documents.

Pre-requisites: VETT 106, acceptance into the Veterinary Technology Program

# **Overall Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Use appropriate prefixes, suffixes, and root words to convert lay language into medical terms:
- 2. Convert the common names of body anatomy of various species to medical terms and vice versa;
- 3. Properly use medical abbreviations to shorten the length of medical documents; and
- 4. Recognize the terminology associated with veterinary disease processes.

### **Major Topics**

- I. Construction of medical terms
- II. Rules and use of the language of veterinary medicine
- III. Naming body parts and anatomical positions
- IV. Body organization and body cavities
- V. Usage of medical abbreviations
- VI. Documents and forms used in patient charts
- VII. Systems approach to medical terminology
  - a. Cardiovascular
  - b. Respiratory
  - c. Digestive
  - d. Musculoskeletal
  - e. Endocrine
  - f. Nervous
  - g. Excretory
  - h. Reproductive
  - i. Terminology of the animal industry

### **Course Requirements**

Grading will be determined by the individual faculty member, but shall include the following, at minimum:

The Common Course Outline (CCO) determines the essential nature of each course.

For more information, see your professor's syllabus.

- Attendance and active participation in all class activities, collaborative work, and discussion
- Minimum of two exams including objective testing, spelling items and word construction
- Periodic quizzes
- Assignments and projects as determined by the instructor

Written assignments and research projects: Students are required to use appropriate academic resources in their research and cite sources according to the style selected by their professor.

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