



Course

Pre-Enrolment Guide

Training Area:

Local Government

Training Product:

**ACMSS00007 Microchip
Implantation for Dogs and Cats
Skill Set**



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Course Information

ACMSS00007 Microchip Implantation for Dogs and Cats Skill Set

Release number	2
Required number of units for course completion	Total = 3 Core = 0 Elective = 3
Duration	Three-day workshop plus out-of-class assessments (up to six months to complete).
Location	Northam Campus
Delivery mode	Face to Face

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR ME?

Before you choose this course, it's a good idea to think about the skills and knowledge you might need. The information below will help you decide if the course is a good fit for you, or if there are areas where you might need some extra support. This skillset reflects the role of those working in animal care industry sectors who understand, interpret and apply microchip implantation procedures on cats and dogs whilst exhibiting appropriate care for animals so that stress and discomfort is minimised.

This skill set meets the State Government requirement to be an Authorised Implanter of microchips in cats and dog and suitable for cat and dog breeders who wish to microchip their own animals, as well as groomers, pet washers, pet store employees, and those wanting to start their very own microchipping business. The skillset improves employability and value as a Local Government Ranger.

Information you need to know about the course

Before you enrol, think about what this role involves and whether it suits your abilities and interests. Here are some key considerations:

Physical Requirements

- Work, or plan to, work in the animal care industry
- Comfortable handling animals safely and confidently
- Ability to demonstrate good hand–eye coordination and fine motor skills for accurate microchip implantation
- Ability to stand for extended periods and work in close contact with animals

Emotional and Mental Requirements

- Able to remain calm and professional when animals are anxious or owners are stressed
- Ability to be detail-oriented for accurate record-keeping and compliance with legal requirements
- Able to empathise and have patience when interacting with pet owners

Environmental Requirements

- Prepared to work in varied settings such as local government pounds, shelters, breeder facilities or outdoor events
- Willingness to manage exposure to animal hair, dander, and body fluids while following hygiene protocols
- Be comfortable with infection control and workplace safety practices

Cultural Aspects

- Willing to communicate respectfully with people from diverse backgrounds
- Open to understanding the importance of cultural awareness
- Ability to explain compliance requirements (e.g., microchipping and animal registration laws) in a clear and culturally sensitive way

Administrative and Technology Requirements

- Have Basic computer skills for completing online learning components and assessments
- Ability to use email and upload documents
- Willingness to maintain accurate records in line with legislative requirements

Course Pathways

This course aims to help you develop skills and knowledge that may support entry into a range of job roles or further study. These units provide credit towards several ACM Animal Care and Management qualifications and two of the units can be imported into the LGA40120 CIV in Local Government.

Further details can be found on our website [here](#).

National Course Entry Requirements

There are no National entry requirements for this qualification.

Central Regional TAFE (CR TAFE) Entry Requirements

You must have a Unique Student Identifier (USI) to enrol in and complete any nationally recognised training in Australia. If you do not have a USI or need help getting one, we can assist you with the process.

Before you enrol, CR TAFE is required to review your language, literacy, numeracy and digital (LLND) skills to help you decide if the course is right for you, identify any support you might need, or whether other learning options may be better suited to you at this time.

For this course, the method of LLND review will be Year 10 English or equivalent, or you may be required to undertake the LLN Robot Quiz to ensure that you have the literacy and numeracy skills to undertake the course.

Fees and Payments

Whether you are enrolling in individual units and/or full qualifications at CR TAFE, you are responsible for paying the enrolment fee for each unit you enrol in.

You will find detailed information about your course costs and how they are calculated on our website [here](#).

You can also check the drop-down box for FEES on your course page on the website which has details about the course fees.

Further information on:

- key payment terms and conditions
- availability of any relevant government training entitlements and subsidies
- our withdrawal and refund requirements

is available under the Fees and Payment Options section in the Student Handbook on our website [here](#).

Our Student Business Systems team can help if you are unsure about any fee information. Please refer to the Contacts section, on how to contact us.

Learning Resources

You will need the following learning resources for your course:

Online learning materials

Students will access their learning materials through a thumb drive. Once enrolled, lecturers will provide access to the relevant units.

Each unit will include:

- Learning resources to support your study.
- Assessment tasks and submission guidelines.

Resources and equipment you need to bring

Students are required to provide the following resources and equipment at their own expense:

Stationery and Technology

- Basic stationery supplies (pens, notebooks, folders).
- A laptop or computer with reliable internet access for off-campus and workshop study.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- As required by workplace health and safety standards during practical activities.
- Long pants, sleeves and enclosed footwear.

Police Clearance

- May be required by the workplace

CR TAFE online library resources

Our online library has a wide range of electronic resources useful to your course. You can find our online library on the CR TAFE website [here](#). Library staff are available to assist you as required.

Work Experience

Following the 3-day workshop you will have 6 months to answer knowledge assessments, provide evidence in portfolios of your skills, as well as complete a microchip logbook of 10 dogs and cats under a qualified veterinarian of your choosing.

Delivery options

Face to face or RPL.

My Portal

There is a variety of information available to students on our website under [Current Students myPortal](#). Once you are enrolled, the Student Portal will allow you to view the following:

- My application - view the status of your application to study
- My payments - view your payment history and instalment plan details (if relevant)
- My study - view your course details, units and academic records
- My details - view and update your personal information
- My tasks - view any notices from Central Regional TAFE
- Blackboard - links directly to the Blackboard e-learning platform

Credit

Credit can be given if you have successfully completed a unit or module that has the same code or is deemed equivalent to one in your current course. You may have completed this unit/module at a Registered Training Organisation or at an alternate authorised organisation such as a university.

You will have to provide some evidence you have successfully completed the unit or module. This might include authenticated VET transcripts or other AQF certification documents like Statements of Attainment, Records of Results etc.

You won't be charged for credit. If you think this might apply to you, contact your lecturer to discuss eligibility, the application process and the evidence you need to provide.

Note: CR TAFE will not issue an Award or Statement of Attainment that is achieved wholly through crediting units completed at another RTO.

Appeals and Feedback

CR TAFE values student feedback and recognises that opportunities to improve products and services arise from the effective handling of student complaints. Complaints are processed in a way that balances the interests of students and CR TAFE while making sure the process is fair for everyone.

Students are supported to [provide feedback and make complaints](#). Students have the right to appeal decisions made by the lecturer/assessor and CR TAFE. For example, if you have concerns about your assessment results, please approach your lecturer to discuss the issue and/or refer to our website for details [here](#).

Student Support Services

CR TAFE aims to provide a supportive learning environment for all students. If you have any support needs, either before you enrol or during your course, we encourage you to speak with your lecturer or the Student Support Services team. CR TAFE will provide, or help you access, the support that can assist you in your studies.

Training Support:

You are encouraged to identify any training support that you may need before you enrol and at any point during your learning journey. This may include but not limited to:

- Study Skills
- Accessing and using technology
- Assessments
- Disability support
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support

Wellbeing Support:

CR TAFE is dedicated to supporting students and to providing a safe and inclusive learning environment for all students including a culturally safe learning environment for Aboriginal people. CR TAFE recognises that student wellbeing is important for a successful learning journey and may provide, or support access to, appropriate services where needed. Wellbeing support may include, but not limited to:

- Counselling and mental health resources (external)
- Career Services and Guidance (internal)
- Financial (fee and debt payment options, scholarships) (internal)
- Abuse, harassment, bullying (internal and external)
- Crisis and Support Lines (external)
- Support for Aboriginal students (internal and external)
- Aboriginal Counselling Support (external)
- Support for students with disability (internal and external)
- Support for international students (internal)

For confidential, no obligation contact information for wellbeing support, please contact our Student Support Services team who can help you with more information on how to access these support services, or go to our [website](#).

Contacts:

Lecturer contact details:

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To speak to our Student Business System Team, Student Support Services Team, our Technical Support Team, Aboriginal Support Services or your local Access and Equity Inclusion Officer, contact: 1800 672 700 or enquiries@crtafe.wa.edu.au.

Alternatively, you can complete an online enquiry form <https://www.centralregionaltafe.wa.edu.au/contact-us>.

For help with all things career, training and employment, contact our Jobs and Skills Centres at either our Geraldton, Kalgoorlie or Northam campuses, or call 13 64 64 or go to www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au.

Award

Upon successful completion of this course, you are entitled to an Award and a Record of Achievement. Should you not have successfully completed all the units of competency required for the Award, you are entitled to a Statement of Attainment for the individual units for which you have been assessed as competent.

Further Resources and Information

More information can be found in our Student Handbook, available for download off our website [here](#).

Notification of Changes to the Course

You will be informed in writing by your lecturer of any changes that affect your course after enrolment. You will be supported throughout the change to ensure there is minimal disruption to your learning journey.

Timetable and Training Hours

The timetable provided helps you plan your week and understand your study commitments. The timetable shows which days and times you need to attend training. It helps you plan ahead and manage your participation.

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 am- 12:00 pm		CRTAFE Globalink	CRTAFE Globalink	CRTAFE Globalink	
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm LUNCH BREAK					
12:30 pm- 5:00 pm		CRTAFE Globalink	CRTAFE Globalink	CRTAFE Globalink	

Overview of Training Hours and Assessment Methods

The table below outlines the units you need to complete. It shows the types of training you are required to do, approximately how much time they should take, and how each unit will be assessed. This will help you understand how much time you will need to set aside for each unit you are enrolled in.

Assessment Methods

For this course, assessments may include the following:

- **Knowledge questions:** This involves answering questions, either orally or in writing relating to the unit of competency.
- **Observations:** This involves your assessor or a third party (workplace supervisor) observing you perform tasks in the workplace and/or simulated workplace to check that you have the knowledge and skills required for the unit of competency.
- **Portfolio:** This is a collection of evidence you put together, such as documents, examples of your work, or completed activities, to show that you have the knowledge and skills required for the unit of competency.
- **Log Book:** A record of the animals that you have microchipped, information on the animal and the chipping. This is to be signed off by an appropriately qualified veterinarian.

Note: The specific assessments required for each unit of competency will be outlined in the Training and Assessment Plan (TAP) for that unit. You will receive a copy of the TAP for each unit when you enrol.

Stage	National ID	Unit Of Competency	Face to Face	Workshops	Work Placement	Structured Out Of Class Activities	Tutorial Study Support	Total	Assessment	Delivery Mode	Core / Elective	Pre-Nati
	ACMGEN311	Maintain and monitor animal health and wellbeing [ODC76]		12.00			5.00	17.00	35.00	Blended Delivery	Elective	
	ACMMIC401	Implant microchip in cats and dogs [BBD88]		8.00			5.00	13.00	30.00	Blended Delivery	Elective	
	ACMWHS201	Participate in workplace health and safety processes [BBD39]		4.00			5.00	9.00	35.00	Blended Delivery	Elective	
		Total										



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