CREDIT HOURS: 2.00

CONTACT HOURS: 30.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This practicum in a veterinary hospital and/or biomedical setting is for the mastery of advanced technical skills. Must have the director’s approval of site required.

PREREQUISITES: VTP 233

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will demonstrate the ability to complete the following tasks with minimal supervision:

1. Assist in routine health procedures
2. Prepare, administer, and monitor anesthesia
3. Assist in surgery
4. Surgical preparation of animals
5. Sterilization of instrumentation and packs
6. Take radiographs and develop films
7. Perform daily treatments, observations, and diagnostic tests
8. Pre and post-operative care of surgical patients
9. Cleaning and maintaining equipment
10. Refilling expendable supplies
11. Recordkeeping
12. Filling prescriptions
13. Admitting and discharging patients
14. Computer information/data entry and retrieval

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E