

ANIMAL CARE AND TRAINING, ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

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To earn an Associate in Science Degree in Animal Care and Training, students must:

1. Complete a minimum of 60 associate degree-applicable semester units. Students planning to transfer should complete 60 CSU transferable or 60 UC transferable units, depending on their intended transfer destination.
2. Complete the Moorpark College's General Education requirements to include Areas 1-7 or the Cal-GETC Pattern. Transfer students should plan to complete the Cal-GETC Pattern. All courses for the Cal-GETC must be completed with a grade of "C" or better
3. Complete the required coursework for the major as listed in the Moorpark College catalog with a grade of "C" or better (or a "P") in each of the courses selected.
4. Achieve a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better in courses used to satisfy the degree requirements.
5. Complete a minimum of 12 semester units within the Ventura County Community College District.

Course ID	Title	Units/ Hours
Required Major Courses		
ANCT M01A	Animal Care & Handling I	1
ANCT M01AL	Animal Care & Handling Lab I	4
ANCT M01B	Animal Care & Handling II	1
ANCT M01BL	Animal Care & Handling Lab II	4
ANCT M02A	Zoo Work Skills First Year Fall	1
ANCT M02C	Zoo Work Skills First Year Spring	1.5
ANCT M02D	Zoo Work Skills Second Year-Summer	2
ANCT M02E	Zoo Work Skills Second Year-Fall	3
ANCT M02F	Zoo Work Skills Second Year-Spring	1.5
ANCT M08	Applied Wildlife Conservation	2
ANCT M09	Animal Behavior	3
ANCT M09L	Animal Behavior Lab	.5
ANCT M12	Anatomy and Physiology of Mammals	2

ANCT M14A	Projects I	.5
ANCT M14B	Projects II	1.5
ANCT M15A	Wildlife Education I	.5
ANCT M15AL	Wildlife Education I Lab	1
ANCT M15B	Wildlife Education II	.5
ANCT M15BL	Wildlife Education II Lab	1
ANCT M15CL	Wildlife Education III Lab	2
ANCT M15D	Wildlife Education IV	.5
ANCT M15DL	Wildlife Education IV Lab	1
ANCT M15EL	Wildlife Education Spring Spectacular Lab	1.5
ANCT M17	Animal Diversity	3.5
ANCT M18	Animal Health and Safety	2
ANCT M19	Animal Nutrition	2
ANCT M21A	Animal Training I	1
ANCT M21AL	Animal Training I Lab	2
ANCT M21B	Animal Training II	1
ANCT M21BL	Animal Training II Lab	2
ANCT M21P	Animal Training Practicum	1
ANCT M23A	Elementary Veterinary Care I	2
ANCT M23AL	Elementary Veterinary Care I Laboratory	1
ANCT M23B	Elementary Veterinary Care II	2
ANCT M24	Avian and Herptile Care	1
ANCT M26	Applied Primate Behavior	1
ANCT M26L	Applied Primate Behavior Lab	1
ANCT M27	Animal Ethical and Legal Issues	2
ANCT M30A	Zoo Days I	.5
ANCT M30B	Zoo Days II	.5
Total Required Major Units		62

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Total Units for Major		62
Moorpark College General Education Pattern		24
Double-Counted Units		6
Elective Units		0
Total Units for the AS Degree		80
Cal-GETC Pattern		34
Double-Counted Units		0
Elective Units		0
Total Units for the AS Degree		96

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Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- apply practical knowledge and skills to successfully perform scientific observations.
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- demonstrate skills in critical thinking and communication, working as a dynamic team member.