

Course Unit	Animal Morphology and Aesthetics		Field of study	Veterinary Science	
Bachelor in	Veterinary Nursing		School	School of Agriculture	
Academic Year	2023/2024	Year of study	3	Level	1-3
Type	Semestral	Semester	1	ECTS credits	5.0
Code	9085-783-3104-00-23				
Workload (hours)	135	Contact hours	T	-	TP
			PL	-	TC
			S	-	E
			OT	-	O

T - Lectures; TP - Lectures and problem-solving; PL - Problem-solving, project or laboratory; TC - Fieldwork; S - Seminar; E - Placement; OT - Tutorial; O - Other

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Learning outcomes and competences

At the end of the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

1. To know the concept of breed. To know the methods that allow to identify and to characterize the animals.
2. To recognize small animal breeds as well as its origin and characteristics.
3. To perform morphologic assess of livestock breeds as well as small animals. Be able to do pet grooming.

Prerequisites

Before the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

1. The students must have knowledge of anatomy, behavior and animal welfare.
2. knowledge of general animal science.

Course contents

Morphology: anatomical variation. Study of the exterior. Breeds. External morphology: external regions. Study of the different types of coats. Morphology and angulation. Dentistry: dental chronometry. Sense Organs. Eyes, Ears. Skin care, morphology and lesions. Body condition. Grooming and baths. Cut of nails. Anal Glands.

Course contents (extended version)

1. Ethnology animal science. Concept of ethnology in animal science and breed.
2. Morphological characters. External morphology concept. Terminologies.
3. External regions of animals. General concepts.
 - Head, neck, trunk, limbs. Horses, Ruminants and Small animals
 - Anatomical correspondences.
4. Dog and Cat breeds.
 - History, general concepts, classification, groups and sections.
5. Dog morphology.
 - Lupoids, braccoides, molossoids and graiod
 - Tail and ears types
6. Angulation of the limbs. Concepts. Horses, bovines and dogs.
7. Odontology.
 - Tooth morphology. Dental chronometry: horses, ruminants, dogs ad cats.
8. Sense organs.
 - Eyes and eyelids: morphology, care and pathologies
 - Ears: morphology and care.
 - Skin: morphology, functions, primary and secondary lesions. Anal glands.
9. Hair. Struture. Types: size, texture, colours, patterns. Dog and cat.
10. Body condition. Body condition score, charts. Ovesity.
11. Grooming: history, equipment.
 - Hair care, brushing.
 - Baths: bath care
 - Clipping: care, types of hair cuts, cutting the nails.

Recommended reading

1. Trovati, E. M. , 2006. Introducción a la morfología externa canina. Fondo Editorial, Universidad Alas Peruanas, Lima, Perú.
2. Gould, D. , McLellan, G. , 2015. BSAVA Manual of Canine and Feline Ophthalmology. 3ª Edição, BSAVA, 350 pp.
3. Jackson, H. , Marsella, R. , 2012. BSAVA Manual of Canine and Feline Dermatology. 3ª Edição, BSAVA, 296 pp.
4. Perrone, J. 2015. Small Animal Dental Procedures for Veterinary Technicians and Nurses. (J. Perrone, Ed.) Iowa: John Wiley & Sons, Inc. , p228
5. Dobish, D. 2011. All-Breed Dog Grooming. Tfh Pubns Inc. 271 pp.

Teaching and learning methods

Teaching of this curricular unit will be based on presential theoretical and practical classes. Resources: powerpoint presentations, books, papers, pictures, videos, skeletons, artificial models. In the practical classes are carried out baths, grooming, eye and ear cleansing and emptying of anal glands of dogs.

Assessment methods

1. Continuous and final evaluation - (Regular, Student Worker) (Final, Supplementary, Special)
 - Presentations - 30% (One work assignment for oral presentation concerning the subjects addressed in the classes.)
 - Intermediate Written Test - 35% (One written test on the theoretical and practical contents taught in the course.)
 - Final Written Exam - 35% (One written exam on the theoretical and practical contents taught in the course.)
2. Appeal exam - (Regular, Student Worker) (Final, Supplementary, Special)
 - Final Written Exam - 100% (One written exam on the theoretical and practical contents taught in the course.)

Language of instruction

Portuguese

Electronic validation			
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