

**DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SCIENCE
VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY**

COURSE OUTLINE – Winter 2026

AH 481 Field Trip – 1 (0-0-30) 30 Hours for 1 Week

Northwestern Polytechnic (NWP) acknowledges that our campuses are located on Treaty 8 territory, the ancestral and present-day home to many diverse First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, who are the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

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OFFICE HOURS: Contact instructor for appointment

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

The field trip may include attendance at the Animal Health Technologist Conference and/or tour of veterinary clinics and related facilities. Students will be required to cover field trip personal expenses.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

- Must be registered in the NWP Veterinary Technology Program
- AH340, AH342, AH343, AH344, AH345, AH348 and students must be enrolled in Second Year courses

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

None

DELIVERY MODE(S):

Fieldtrip

Assignment

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course students will meet graduation requirements for standards of accreditation approved by the CVMA.

Each student will submit a summary / evaluation of sessions attended and how it impacted their future career choices.

TRANSFERABILITY:

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca>.

**** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

EVALUATIONS:

EXAMINATIONS		Mark Distribution
A. Assignments		30%
B. Attendance, Participation, Professionalism, Deportment		70%
		100%

***A minimum of 80% must be obtained to successfully pass AH481**

GRADING CRITERIA:

(The following criteria may be changed to suite the particular course/instructor)

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines		Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	95-100		C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-94		C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84		C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79		D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76		D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72		F	0.0	00-49



COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

See itinerary for tentative timeline.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Enrolment at NWP assumes that the student will become a responsible citizen of the Institute. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, take pride in and assist in the maintenance and preservation of Institute property, and assume responsibility for his/her education by researching academic requirements and policies; demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting instructor expectations concerning attendance, assignments, deadlines, and appointments.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

NWP servers may be monitored. Student accounts are visible via ABTutor and student activity on NWP networks may be monitored during supervised exams and/or anytime students are on NWP networks. The collection of and access to the personal information listed above as permitted by the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

STATEMENT ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT:

Academic Misconduct will not be tolerated. For a more precise definition of academic misconduct and its consequences, refer to the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy available at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/about/polytechnic-leadership/policies-directory>

****Note:** all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

Additional Information

There will be zero tolerance for anybody showing up for sessions, under the influence of alcohol or other medication that may cause disruptive behaviour.

Fieldtrip attendance is mandatory. A deduction of 5-10% (per incident) will occur for tardiness, missed sessions/tours, inattentiveness and/or disruptive behaviour at any of the organized events and may result in a failure grade for AH481 Course.

Appropriate dress is required during travel and at facilities visited.

Included in tuition for this course: accommodation, conference/tour registration (if applicable) and transportation within regular school day hours (extra-curricular travel is not included). Students are required to cover personal expenses such as meals etc.