Programme Regulations for:

Rural Animal Technician

(Level 5)

Leading to the New Zealand Certificate in Animal Technology (Level 5)

with strands in: Rural Animal Technician

Wintec code:	SX1603	**MoE:**	NZ2490
Level:	5	**Credits:**	120
Owner:	Centre for Science and Primary Industries	**Effective Date:**	January 2018

These regulations should be read in conjunction with the Institute's Academic Regulations.

1. Admission and Entry

1.1 General Academic Admission

a) 60 credits at NCEA Level 2, including a minimum of 12 credits at NCEA Level 2 in English and 12 credits at NCEA Level 1 in Mathematics; **and**

b) A minimum of 12 credits at NCEA Level 1 in science; **or**

c) Equivalent.

1.2 Special Admission

Domestic candidates aged 20 years and over who do not meet the entry requirements but whose skills, education or work experience indicate that they have a reasonable chance of success may be eligible for special admission at the discretion of the Centre Director or designated nominee. Such applicants may be required to successfully complete a foundation, bridging or tertiary introductory programme as a condition of entry into higher level programmes.

1.3 Provisional Entry

Domestic candidates aged under 20 years who do not meet the entry requirements but who can demonstrate a reasonable chance of success through other educational attainment and/or work or life experience may be eligible for provisional entry at the discretion of the Centre Director or designated nominee. Provisional entry places restrictions on re-enrolment to be lifted if the applicant's performance is deemed satisfactory by the Centre Director or designated nominee.

1.4 Selection Criteria

a) Candidates may be required to participate in an interview and selection process. The following will be considered in the selection process:

i. Where applicable, the completion of a Study Skills Assessment to demonstrate the level of academic skill necessary to successfully complete the programme;

ii. previous experience working with animals. Suitable experience may include three or more days observing in a veterinary clinic or equivalent;

iii. an aptitude for working with the public demonstrated through a reference from an employer where the candidate has worked with the public, or from a teacher attesting to social skills.

iv. personal qualities such as responsibility, teamwork and practical orientation.

b) To meet legal and health requirements, candidates must be physically able to carry out the practical components of the programmes, including the ability to perform practical demonstrations and assessments. Candidates with disabilities are eligible to enrol in this programme and will be provided with the necessary resources to attain the learning outcomes where practicable, but at the time of enrolment must notify the Equity/Disability Co-ordinator of their needs.

c) Prior to commencing the programme all candidates will be required to undertake a Police check at a level sufficient for safe and effective practice within the field of animal care.

d) All candidates will be required to make a declaration they are physically able to safely handle and restrain rural animals and that they have no known health condition that could preclude their close proximity to the common range of rural animals (e.g. cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, deer, horses).

1.5 English Language Requirements

Candidates who have English as a second language are required to have an International English Language Test System (IELTS) score of 6.0 with no individual band score lower than 5.5; or equivalent.

2. Transfer of Credit

2.1 100% transfer of credit is available for this programme (both formal transfer of credit and recognition of prior learning).

3. Programme Requirements

3.1 Every candidate for the Rural Animal Technician programme shall to the satisfaction of the Academic Board follow a programme of study for a period of normally not less than one year

3.2 Each candidate's programme will comprise all modules as listed in Section 6 of these regulations, totalling 120 credits.

3.3 As some of the practical components within this programme are considered high risk, students will be required to submit to an initial drug screen, and may be required to submit to further drug screening if there is reasonable cause to suspect a student is under the influence of drugs or alcohol, as per Wintec's Drug & Alcohol Policy (OP-16/04).

4. Completion of the Programme

4.1 A candidate may take up to two years to complete this programme, unless an extension is granted by special permission of the Centre Director, or designated equivalent.

5. Award of the Qualification

5.1 Candidates who successfully complete the requirements of this programme will be eligible for the award of the New Zealand Certificate in Animal Technology (Level 5) Rural Animal Technician strand.

6. Schedule of Modules

Note: no value in the pre/co-requisite columns means there are no pre/co-requisites for that module.

Module Code	Module Name	Level	Credits	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites
ANML401	Animal Anatomy and Physiology	4	15		

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Module Code	Module Name	Level	Credits	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites
ANML507	Animal Health Procedures	5	15		ANML508 ANML509
ANML508	Farming and Pasture Systems	5	15		ANML507 ANML509
ANML509	Introduction to Professional Practice	5	15		ANML507 ANML508
ANML510	Rural Animal Health and Husbandry	5	15	ANML508	ANML512
ANML511	Advanced Animal Health Procedures	5	15	ANML507	
ANML512	Rural Animal Disease Management and Prevention	5	15		ANML510
ANML513	Advanced Professional Practice	5	15	ANML509	