ANSC 271 : Anesthesiology and Surgical Nursing for Veterinary Technicians

This course will focus on the clinical skills necessary for safe and effective anesthesia and surgery of companion animal patients (dogs and cats). Skills such as intravenous catheter placement, proper endotracheal intubation, patient and surgical site preparation, and patient monitoring under general anesthesia will be stressed. The use and side effects of commonly used sedatives, analgesics and anesthetics will be covered. Postoperative procedures include patient monitoring and charting as well as client education for postoperative care.

Credits 3

Lecture Hours 3

Designation

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Prerequisites

Admission in the Veterinary Technology Program and a grade of "C" or better in all completed ANSC courses

Corequisites

Co-registration in ANSC 271L

Course Outcomes

- Understand the proper operation of anesthetic delivery equipment and monitoring instruments.
- Explain all aspects of anesthetic monitoring.
- Understand and integrate all aspects of patient management for common surgical procedures in companion animal species.
- Identify and provide appropriate instruments, supplies and environment to maintain asepsis during surgical procedures.
- Demonstrate understanding of routine surgical procedures including surgeries in these categories: ovariohysterectomy, cesarean section, orchiectomy, laparotomies, and orthopedic procedures.