

NSCC Guided Pathway



Animal Care Specialist Certificate (ASC) – Science Pathway Certificate • STEM and Education Division

Recommended	d Course Selection Sequence	Required	Credits	Course Offered	CPL Option	Completion
ANS102	Canine and Feline Behavior	R	3	Fall only		
ANS104	Breed ID	R	2	Fall only	Х	
ANS107	Medical Terminology for Animal Science 1	R	1	Fall only		
ANS122	Fundamentals of Grooming	R	1	Fall only	Х	
BIO101	Biology 1	R	4		Х	
MGT102	Principles of Management	R	3			
ACC101	Basic Accounting 1	R	3			
ANS110	Canine and Feline Nutrition	R	2			
ANS112	Ethics and Law for Pet Care Professionals	R	2	Spring only		
ANS116	Fundamentals of Animal Health	R	3	Spring only		
ANS120	Canine Training	R	2	Spring only		
ANS142	Animal Facilities Management	R	3	Spring only		
Total Program Credits:			29			

Program Notes

- Special admissions requirement
- Stackable credential
- Fall start only
- · Day program

Campus Information

• Danvers campus based

Additional Graduation Requirements

- Cumulative CLGPA at or above 2.0
- Submit your intent to graduate form at: www.northshore.edu/registrar

Advising Notes

- This certificate is intended to prepare a student upon completion for entry-level employment in the care, grooming, and community understanding of domestic animals.
- For students interested in continuing their education in the animal care field; all courses in this certificate count towards the Animal Care Specialist Degree.
- If you intend to graduate with an associate degree in two years, you should enroll in at least 15 credits if taking only fall/spring courses.
- Completing 30 credits each year helps students stay on track to timely graduation.
- Taking classes in the winter intersession and summer can accelerate your time to degree completion.
- All student degree audits for graduation purposes will be based off the official program of study the student is enrolled in.



