

ACM40322 Certificate IV Animal Behaviour and Training

ASSISTANCE DOG TRAINER - Specialisation



This course meets the Nationally Recognised Training standards. It is listed on the Australian government's National Register for Vocational Education and Training (VET). Studying this course leads to a qualification that's recognised throughout Australia, and lets employers know that you have the right skills for the job.



Duration:

Self Paced, up to 12 months



Fees:

\$5,000



Delivery Mode:

Blended (Online & Practical)



Payment Options:

Payment Plans & Upfront Payment



Start Date:

Enrol Anytime



Recognition:

Nationally Recognised Qualification

Course Overview

Welcome to the Assistance Dog Training Specialisation course

This program is designed for individuals who have already completed the **ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour and Training** and are eager to expand their expertise in training assistance dogs. Throughout this comprehensive course, students will embark on a journey to learn how to train assistance dogs for a wide range of uses and functions, making a meaningful impact on the lives of both dogs and their handlers.

The course is structured to provide a holistic learning experience. It begins with an engaging online component, where students will delve into the theoretical aspects of assistance dog training. This includes gaining an in-depth understanding of the relevant legislation, ethics, and techniques required in this specialised field. You'll also explore the various roles assistance dogs can play in helping individuals with disabilities and the specific training protocols associated with each role.

Following the online portion, students will embark on a transformative two-week practical training experience at our Dog Training Facility. Here, you will have the opportunity to put your newfound knowledge into action. You'll learn how to assess, select, and train dogs to become reliable and compassionate assistance dogs. Practical hands-on training will be emphasised, enabling you to develop the essential skills necessary to become a proficient assistance dog trainer.

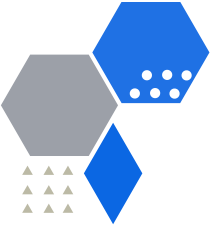
By the end of this course, you will not only possess the expertise to train assistance dogs effectively but also understand the unique needs of handlers and how to facilitate the successful pairing of assistance dogs with their human companions. This program equips you with the knowledge and hands-on experience to make a positive impact in the world of assistance dog training, fostering independence and enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

Entry Requirements

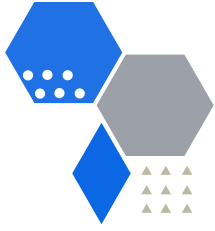
To be eligible for this course, you must:

- ✓ Completed ACM40322 Certificate IV in Animal Behaviour & Training
- ✓ Be at least 18 years old
- ✓ Completed Year 10 or equivalent
- ✓ Access to a Computer, Laptop or Tablet
- ✓ Internet access and email address
- ✓ Proficiency in speaking and writing in English
- ✓ Physically capable of handling animal feed and standing for extended periods of time.

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Course Subjects

While completing the **Assistance Dog Training Specialisation** from the Pet Stylist Academy, you will study the following subjects:

- ACMADT301 Select appropriate equipment for an assistance dog and handler
- ACMADT401 Assess prospective handler's suitability for an assistance dog
- ACMADT402 Instruct handlers with disability to train assistance dogs
- ACMADT403 Train dogs using operant and classical conditioning techniques
- ACMADT501 Plan and conduct assistance dog training in specific and complex tasks

Course Delivery

Students have up to 12 months to complete the course. However, many students are able to complete their study within this time frame based upon the amount of hours dedicated to study each week.

The course program is taught using a blended approach (Online & Practical).

Online

The course is delivered online which means students are not required to attend classes or lectures. Students will receive access to our 'Learning Portal' where they will find the course materials, interactive learning materials, videos and assessments. In addition, students will also receive a hard copy of the Learner Resource.

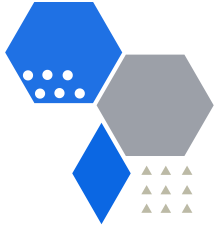
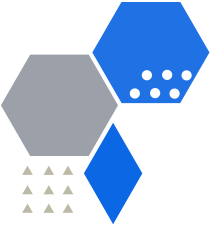
While studying online, students will have access to our teaching support team via email, online chat or phone. Our teaching team will help support and guide students every step on their journey.

Practical Training

The practical training (hands-on) is completed at the Dog Training Facility under the guidance and support of our teachers and dog trainers for **2-weeks full time**. This ensures the student is taught the hands-on skills required to become a qualified dog trainers while being guided by our team.

During the practical training component of the Assistance Dog Training Specialization course, you will have the opportunity to hone your skills and develop a deep understanding of the nuances involved in training assistance dogs. Hands-on experience will be at the forefront as you work with real dogs and handlers, allowing you to master techniques such as obedience training, task-specific training, and behavior modification. You'll learn to assess the unique needs and abilities of individual dogs, tailoring your training approach to suit their personalities and strengths. Additionally, you will gain expertise in working with handlers, teaching them effective communication and bonding techniques to establish a strong partnership with their assistance dogs. Furthermore, you'll delve into advanced training methods for tasks like mobility assistance, medical alert, and emotional support, ensuring that both dogs and handlers are well-prepared for their respective roles.





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Course Fees

The full fee for the course fee is **\$5,000**.

Students have a choice of paying the full amount up-front, or you can take advantage of one of the Pet Stylist Academy's easy interest free payment plans.

Payment Plans

For your convenience the Pet Stylist Academy offers two interest free payment plans, choose the one that best suits your lifestyle:

- Direct Debit option (\$600 enrolment fee plus \$86 per week over 12 months, \$57 per week over 18 months or \$43 per week over 24 months)
- Pay in four (4) installments - 1st installment: \$1250 enrolment fee plus 3 x \$1250 installments

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