Veterinarian – My Future Career

I have always loved animals and as I grew older, I realized I wanted to become a veterinarian. Becoming a veterinarian is not an easy task which requires years of studying, countless hours of learning, and large amounts of money. However, the rewards are worth all the sacrifices if you enjoy your work.

A veterinarian is someone who cares for sick or injured animals by diagnosing and treating the animals professionally and knowledgeably. In order to become a veterinarian, a person must obtain a bachelor’s degree in animal science, biology, veterinary medicine, or something related. A bachelor’s degree requires four years at an accredited university.

Once completing a bachelor’s degree, a person will continue to veterinary school. Veterinary school can be difficult to get into due to the competitiveness. Due to the difficultly and competitiveness, a person will have to make sure they make good grades and participate in volunteer work dealing with animals. Vet school will take another four years. Vet school allows you to go deeper into the field and help prepare a person to be completely ready to become a veterinarian. After completion of vet school, each student will then be able to obtain a license in veterinarian medicine by passing the North American Veterinary License Examination.

After vet school most people tend to do an internship at a veterinary office. Employment of veterinarians will increase as population grows. Veterinarians will be needed to inspect food supply and ensure the health of animals and humans. Salaries range for veterinarians. The current median salary average is 95,579 dollars.

The money in this field is exceptional but to be a vet a person must have the correct skills and abilities, or the job may not work out as planned. The passion for animals is a requirement for this job. Your customer will want to know their animal is in good hands and that they are working with someone who will love their animals. Other skills that could be required include but are not limited to business skills, interpersonal skills, and the ability to get along with other people.

Some veterinarians work in clinics while other travel to farms, classrooms, or laboratories. Small animal veterinarians work mostly in a hospital or clinic, but large animal vets must travel. Most veterinarians chose their career because of their love for animals. They know it takes hard work to get to their goal and do it because it is their passion.

The hardest part is veterinary school. Most veterinarians will tell how hard and stressful that vet school is, and vet school must be your number one priority. Becoming a veterinarian will take a lot of time and effort requiring dedication and motivation but is not for everyone. Even knowing all of this I still want to pursue my dream of becoming a veterinarian. I have passion for animals which is a main skill required to be a veterinarian and will help me in becoming a vet.

Animals feed the world, provide clothes, and offer companions to many people of the world. Veterinarians offer a solution to the problems people encounter with their animals and help maintain the quality of life people are accustomed to. Veterinary medicine is a demanding field to be in as the rewards are worth the sacrifices made to become a veterinarian.

I will attend UAHT in Hope to obtain my Associate in General Education. With my Associates, I will transfer to Southern Arkansas University to obtain my Bachelors of Science Agricultural Science (Pre-Veterinary Science). My Pre-Vet degree will allow me to apply for Veterinarian schools to obtain my Veterinary Medicine degree.