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Veterinary Eligibility and Education in Thailand

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History of Veterinary Practice in Thailand

Veterinary practice in Thailand was firstly originated from the Royal Thai Army in 1912.
• History of Veterinary Practice in Thailand

• The 1st veterinary school, Chulalongkorn University, was established in 1935.
• History of Veterinary Practice in Thailand

• In the same time, there was a Veterinary Para-professional School under the Department of Livestock Development (DLD), which produced para-veterinarians, served the livestock problems until 2002.
9 Accredited Veterinary Schools
CU, KU, KKU, MNU, CMU, MU, SV, TO, MSK

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Kasetsart University, Bangkok
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Khon Kaen University, Khon Kaen
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Mahanakorn University of Technology, Bangkok
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Rajamangala University of Technology Tawan-Ok, Chonburi
Faculty of Veterinary Science, Mahidol University, Nakonprathom
Faculty of Veterinary Science, Western University, Kanchanaburi
Faculty of Veterinary Science, Rajamangala University of Technology Srivijaya, Nakhon Si Thammarat
Faculty of Veterinary Science, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Kasetsart University, Bangkok
Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Mahanakorn University of Technology, Bangkok
Faculty of Veterinary Science, Prince of Songkla University, Songkla

Akkhraratchakumari Veterinary College, Walailak University, Nakhon Si Thammarat

3 Establishing Veterinary Schools
PSU, WestU, WaU
In 2002, the Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT) was established under the Veterinary Professional Act, B.E. 2545 (C.E. 2002).

VCT Presidents

Associate Professor Dr. Songkam Luangtongkam
2002-2005
2005-2008

Dr. Yukol Limlamthong
2008-2011

Professor Dr. Suvichai Rojanasthien
2011-2014
2015-2018

Assistant Professor Dr. Thawajchat Sakpuaram
2018-
The Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT) serves as a Veterinary Statutory Body (VSB) with the following responsibilities:

✓ i) licensing and registering veterinary professionals and paraprofessionals
✓ ii) providing standards for initial and continuing education
✓ iii) providing and regulating standard for veterinary professional conduct
✓ iv) upholding unity, welfare, and justice according to the law
✓ v) giving recommendation for government issues
The Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT) Board and Organization structure

- **VCT** (36 members)
- **Educators / Vet Producers**
- **Users / Government**
- **Promoting Organization**
- **18 Elected board members**
- **18 Appointed board members**
  - Vet school Deans
  - Dean Consortium
  - DLD (DG)
  - DLD
  - MoDefense
  - MoInternal Affairs
  - MoPublic Health
  - DoFisheries
  - Bangkok MA
  - TVMA (Vet Med Assoc.)
  - VPAT (Vet Practitioner Assoc.)
- **VCT practitioner members**
• The **Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT)** Supporting bodies

➢ The Center for Veterinary Competency Assessment (CVCA)
➢ The Center for Veterinary Continuing Education (CCE–VET)
➢ The Veterinary Professional Standard Executive Committee
➢ Code of conduct Committee
  ✓ The Professional Ethics Sub–Committee
  ✓ The Investigation Sub–Committee
➢ The College of Veterinary Specialties of Thailand (CVST) (Sept 2014)
➢ The Foreign Affairs Subcommittee (June 2015)
Veterinary Eligibility of Thailand

1-2-3 system
- 1-year basic science study
- 2-year pre- and para-clinical studies
- 3-year clinical study (theory and rotation)
Veterinary Eligibility of Thailand

NQE
- Open for exam 2 times / year
- Organized by the Center for Veterinary Competency Assessment (CVCA)
- Complied with OIE Day-1 competencies
- The 5th year vet students and veterinarians graduated from accredited schools are eligible
- Paper-based exam
- Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) is on the process of implement
Veterinary Eligibility of Thailand

- 1st-class veterinary practitioners (DVM) (9,315 members)
- 2nd-class veterinary paraprofessionals (Diploma) (486 members)

5-year license (update on Sep 24, 2018)
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**Veterinary Eligibility of Thailand**

- **DVM (6-year curriculum)**
- **NQE (National Qualification Exam)**
- **Licensing**
- **Vet CE / License renew**
- **Thai Vet Board (Vet Specialties)**

**Vet CE / License renew**

- 5-year round
- 1st-class veterinary practitioners (DVM): 100 CE credits (from VCT-approved academic activities)
- 2nd-class veterinary paraprofessionals (Diploma): Specific training course enrollments
Veterinary Eligibility of Thailand

- The College of Veterinary Specialties, VCT, has approved Specialist Diploma (Thai Vet Board) since 2017
- VCT has granted specialty board examination and certification in 5 major areas
  - Medicine (133 diplomates)
  - Surgery (71 diplomates)
  - Pathology (49 diplomates)
  - Theriogenology (48 diplomates)
  - Veterinary public health (36 diplomates)
The Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT) Supporting bodies in Education

✓ The Foreign Affairs Subcommittee, VCT
✓ ASEAN Veterinary Statutory Body Network (AVSBN)
✓ OIE VSB Twinning Program
• The **Veterinary Council of Thailand (VCT)** Supporting body in Education

✓ The **Thailand Veterinary Dean Consortium (TVDC)** is coordinating with VCT for
✓ Standardizing and globalizing Thailand’s veterinary education toward international standard.
Thank you for your kind attention