

## **AO VET Online Course**

# Lameness in Dogs: Diagnosis and Decision-Making

#### Goal of the course

This online course aims to provide participants with the opportunity to develop and refine their knowledge, skills, and attitudes in the diagnosis and decision-making of lameness in dogs, while benefiting from the flexibility and the interactive learning environment of online education.

## **Target participants**

This course is designed for individuals interested in managing both common and challenging cases in dogs and in aiming to deepen their understanding of diagnosing canine lameness.

Veterinary students, residents, and surgeons are encouraged to join the course, where they can become part of a supportive environment, conducive to expanding their knowledge and refining their diagnostic skills in this field.

## **Learning objectives**

On completion of this course, participants should be able to:

- Conduct a physical ortho exam of a dog's front limb
- Conduct a physical ortho exam of a dog's hind limb
- Obtain radiographs when required: 2 orthogonal views of both sides is the expected standard when possible (obtained correctly for each limb or joint)
- Position the patient correctly for the radiographic examination for routine views, challenges with breed and size, and special and stress x-rays
- Recognize the benefits of orthogonal views and limitations of fewer x-rays and radiation exposure with hand-held approach
- Recognize advanced modalities and when to refer (for ultrasound, MRI, special blood tests).

### **Modules**

- 1. Preparation, history, examination, radiography
- 2. Approaching Lameness Diagnosis
- 3. Front Limb Pathologies in Young Animals
- 4. Front Limb Pathologies in Older Animals
- 5. Hind Limb Pathologies in Young Animals
- 6. Hind Limb Pathologies in Older Animals
- 7. Structured Cases: Front Limb
- 8. Structured Cases: Hind Limb

## **Key features**

- · Competency-based
- Duration: 40 hours self-directed learning
- 3 live online sessions (2.5 hours/session)
- Seamless communication with faculty members and participants during the entire course
- Access to AO VET resources, including expert presentations, readings and myAO case application

## **Certificates and assessment**

AO VET course certificates are awarded for successful completion of the course.

Scan the QR code or click on the link button below to find the nearest location and date for this course:



