

# ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION TECHNICIAN

An artificial insemination technician inseminates animals with semen to assist impregnation in the breeding of livestock species.

## WHAT RESPONSIBILITIES WILL I HAVE?

- Provide artificial insemination (A.I.) services to clients, use understanding of anatomy to accurately place semen in the proper place in the reproductive track
- Maintain proper sanitation
- Store, travel with, thaw and prepare semen for insemination
- Promote new and current products/services to customers
- Offer reproductive consultation to breeders and farmers
- Perform pregnancy checks on animals
- Practice humane handling when working with animals
- Oversee and assist with heat detection
- Work closely with farm supervisor to better understand the operation and its goals
- Keep records of insemination services
- Give vaccinations as needed



## WHAT EDUCATION & TRAINING IS REQUIRED?

High school diploma required but degree in animal or equine science would be beneficial; A.I. certification

## THE FOLLOWING HIGH SCHOOL COURSES ARE RECOMMENDED...

Agricultural education, biology, mathematics, anatomy, computer courses

## TYPICAL EMPLOYERS

Most are self-employed but companies that are vertically integrated will also hire A.I. technicians

## FUTURE JOB MARKET/OUTLOOK



## SUGGESTED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS

- National Cattleman's Beef Association
- National Livestock Producers Association
- National Pork Producers Council

## AVERAGE ANNUAL FULL-TIME SALARY

\$25,000