VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY
Workforce Development Degree

Program Description:
Veterinary Technicians are essential members of the veterinary health care team. A Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT) will support and augment veterinary care in many fields involving animals, including private veterinary practice, biomedical research, herd health management, teaching, zoological parks, and government services.

Under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian, RVT’s may perform a diversity of skills to include: intensive nursing care, clinical laboratory procedures, radiology, anesthesiology, dental care, and surgical assistance. A graduate will have an in-depth understanding of the fundamentals of animal husbandry, behavior, and nursing care for a variety of species. The Veterinary Technology Program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). RVT licensure is regulated by the Oklahoma State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (OSBVME).

Prospective students must formally apply to the TCC Veterinary Technology Program. For program information and an application, contact: Veterinary Technology Program, TCC West Campus, 7505 West 41st Street, Tulsa, OK 74107-8633, 918-595-8212.

Degree Awarded: Associate In Applied Science

For More Information Contact:
Veterinary Technology Program West Campus: (918) 595-8212
Science and Math Division: West Campus: (918) 595-8193

The graduate will receive an Associate Degree in Applied Science. Upon degree completion, the graduate is eligible to take the NVTE (National Veterinary Technician Examination) and the Oklahoma licensure examination. The licensed RVT will work under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

Individuals may not be eligible for a veterinary technician licensure in the state of Oklahoma who have:
• been addicted to narcotics or alcohol,
• received treatment for the habitual use of narcotics or alcohol;
• been convicted of a narcotics-related offense;
• ever been reprimanded, disciplined, disqualified or suspended from the duties of a veterinary technician or animal care;
• ever been a patient in a sanitarium or institution for the treatment of mental illness;
• been arrested/convicted of any felony offense, including a deferred sentence;

If any of these circumstances exist, it is advised that the prospective student discuss this with the Oklahoma State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

Note: All applicants for licensure in the State of Oklahoma must undergo an OSBI (Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation) background check during application for Examination and Licensure.

Procedures For Application:
1. All program applicants must complete separate applications to Tulsa Community College and to the Veterinary Technology Program.
2. Contact the Veterinary Technology Program, West Campus (918) 595-8212, for program information and application.
3. Shadowing to be completed before application to program or at program coordinator’s discretion. Contact the Veterinary Technology Program for more information and specific requirements.
4. Prerequisite course work for the Veterinary Technology Program must be completed prior to admission.
5. Submit completed application and required materials, including official high school and college transcripts, and SAT/ACT scores, to: Veterinary Technology Program, TCC West Campus, 7505 West 41st Street, Tulsa, OK 74107-8633, 918-595-8633, by April 30
6. Incomplete submissions will not be considered for admission to the program.
7. Admission to TCC does not guarantee acceptance into the Veterinary Technology Program.
8. Eligible applicants will be notified and an interview will be scheduled.
9. All interviewed applicants will receive notification by mail regarding their selection status.

Prerequisites:

General Education Requirements Credit Hours: 23-24

Biology 4 hours
Select one course from the following:
* BIOL 1224 Introduction to Biology for Majors
** BIOL 1604 Zoology

Chemistry 4-5 hours
Select one course from the following:
^ CHEM 1114 Principles of Chemistry
^ CHEM 1315 General Chemistry I

English 6 hours
* ENGL 1113 Composition I
and select one course from the following:
* ENGL 1213 Composition II
+ ENGL 2333 Technical/Professional Writing
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Mathematics 3 hours
Select one course from the following:
* MATH 1473 Mathematics for Critical Thinking
* MATH 1513 College Algebra

Social Science 6 hours
POLS 1113 American Federal Government
and select one course from the following:
HIST 1483 U.S. History 1492 to Civil War Era
HIST 1493 U.S. History Civil War Era to Present

Specialized Course Requirements Credit Hours: 53
Veterinary Technology 53 hours
- VETT 1125 Anatomy and Physiology
- VETT 1132 Introduction to Veterinary Technology
- VETT 1161 Clinical Calculations for Veterinary Technicians
- VETT 1183 Principles of Small Animal Care
- VETT 1193 Principles of Large Animal Care
- VETT 1223 Veterinary Hospital Technology I
* VETT 1232 Clinical Pathology I
* VETT 1242 Clinical Pathology II
* VETT 1263 Veterinary Office and Computer Skills
* VETT 2125 Practicum: Animal Clinics and Nursing
* VETT 2224 Microbiology and Sanitation
* VETT 2234 Clinical Pathology III
* VETT 2254 Laboratory, Wild and Exotic Animal Technology
* VETT 2313 Veterinary Hospital Technology II
* VETT 2333 Veterinary Pharmacology
* VETT 2352 Radiology, Ultrasound and Diagnostic Imaging
* VETT 2364 Large Animal Technology

Total Credit Hours: 76-77
Optional: VETT 2382 Board Review for Veterinary Technicians
* Course has prerequisite (See course description section of catalog).
^ Course must be completed with a "C" or better.
- Admission to Veterinary Technology Program or permission of program coordinator.
+ Course is recommended
º Biology courses must be completed within 12 years of application date.