

Essential Functions for Admissions & Progression In the Veterinary Technology Program of Tulsa Community College

These Essential Functions should be used to assist each applicant and student, who is otherwise qualified, in determining whether accommodations or modifications are necessary for classes or clinical experiences. It is the policy of Tulsa Community College to provide reasonable academic accommodations for those with disabilities, including learning disabilities, health impairments, and other disabling conditions.

Note: Those who have physical, mental or emotional limitations must make an appointment with the Accessibility Resources 918-595-7428 at Northeast Campus, Room AB 224, ar@tulsacce.edu to review their ability to meet these Veterinary Technology Essential Functions.

The assessment for meeting these Essential Functions MUST BE COMPLETED and the appropriate documentation for accommodation received by the Program Director before a reasonable accommodation can be made for persons being admitted or readmitted to TCC's veterinary technology classes and clinical lab sessions.

Candidates for admission and progression in the Veterinary Technology Program must also have the following abilities:

Ability	Standard	Some Examples of Necessary Activities (not all inclusive)
Critical Thinking	Critical thinking and problem solving sufficient for clinical judgement.	Identify cause-effect relationships in clinical situations. Develop nursing care plans. Demonstrate problem solving skills. Adapt to stressful situations.
Interpersonal	Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with patients, clients, families & groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural & intellectual backgrounds.	Establish rapport with patients/clients & colleagues. Recognize appropriate boundaries in relationships with patients/clients & colleagues
Communication	Communication abilities for interaction with others orally & in writing.	Explain treatment procedures, initiate health teaching, document & interpret nursing actions and patient/client responses. Team building skills
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, maneuver in small spaces & provide assistance to patients.	Move around in patient & treatment areas. Administer CPR. Provide physical assistance to clients & colleagues to ensure safety within the environment. Ability to prevent or escape injury caused by animals (i.e. biting, kicking, stampede).
Motor Skills	Gross & fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe, effective nursing care in a timely manner.	Use of instruments, supplies, safety devices and communication equipment in the care of patients. Performance of nursing care, surgical assistance, & laboratory techniques.
Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs.	Hear auscultatory sounds, monitor alarms, emergency signals, and cries for help. Hear warning sounds from animals and humans of impending danger/injury.
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care.	Observe patients for expected and unexpected physical and emotional responses to nursing and medical treatment regimens. Use of diagnostic equipment including a microscope, thermometer, refractometer, etc.
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and to perform nursing duties in a timely manner.	Perform palpation functions of physical exam. Administer oral, intramuscular, subcutaneous, & intravenous medications. Insert and remove tubes and perform wound care management. Surgical assistance.
Physical Condition	Physical ability and stamina sufficient to restrain, lift & assist in the care of a variety of animal species. Ability to stand for extended periods of time. Ability to withstand extreme weather conditions. Immune system competence.	Lift a minimum of 50 pounds. Surgical assistance. Daily clinical routine. Year round treatment and care of outdoor animals. Exposure to a wide range of chemical and biological agents.

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