VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY
ENGINEERING, SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS CAREER PATHWAY

IF YOU LOVE ANIMALS, YOU'LL LOVE THIS CAREER.

Tidewater Community College's veterinary technology program provides in-depth instruction in the behavior, care, and treatment of animals relevant to working in this in-demand field. Our comprehensive program is paired with clinical experience, allowing you to get hands-on practice while completing your traditional coursework. And, our program is endorsed by a committee of local veterinarians and technicians.

PROGRAMS

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY

Complete in as few as 6 semesters / 63 credits

Prepare to become a licensed veterinary technician, a career in which you'll perform laboratory diagnostics, advanced nursing care, client communication, radiography, anesthesiology, surgical nursing, and dentistry on a variety of animal species.

CAREER STUDIES CERTIFICATE IN VETERINARY ASSISTANT

Complete in as few as 2 semesters / 17 credits

Prepare to assist and support licensed veterinary technicians and veterinarians in the health and handling of a variety of small domestic animals and exotic species. TCC is one of a select group of schools that has received approval through the National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA).

SELECTIVE ADMISSION

Admission to the veterinary program is selective and requires a separate application in addition to admission to the college. To qualify for these competitive programs you will need to:
- Meet TCC's general admission standards
- Place into ENG 111 based on the results of your Virginia Placement Test
- Complete MTH 3 or equivalent based on the results of your Virginia Placement Test
- Submit a recommendation form

Additionally, to qualify for the veterinary technology program, you will need to:
- Submit a documented work history or 40 hours of clinical observation within the last calendar year
- Complete ENG 111, CHM 110, and MTH 5 or equivalent based on the results of your Virginia Placement Test
- Submit two recommendation forms, one from a veterinarian and one from a licensed veterinary technician

TCC FAST FACT

Veterinary assistant students can qualify to sit for an exam to become certified veterinary assistants.

POSSIBLE CAREER PATHS

Graduates may find employment in many settings such as private veterinary practices, research facilities, pharmaceutical companies, diagnostic laboratories, zoos, wildlife rehabilitation centers, state and federal agencies, veterinary teaching hospitals, and specialty and emergency practices.

IS THIS PROGRAM FOR YOU?

Yes, if you:
- have excellent communication skills
- are comfortable working in a fat-paced environment
- enjoy animals

PROGRAM AVAILABILITY

- Virginia Beach

TIDEWATER COMMUNITY COLLEGE
From here, go anywhere.™

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