

First in Fly: Drosophila Research and Biological Discovery

As a Veterinary Technician student, you will learn skills and procedures to improve the health and well-being of veterinary patients.

Madison College offers two paths to becoming a Veterinary Technician. Students working as veterinary assistants can learn remotely or semi-remotely as "Satellite" students. Or, students can learn through on-campus weekly hands-on labs.

Satellite students are employed as veterinary assistants working an average of 20 hours per week in a veterinary clinic. Skills can be completed during face to face labs or remotely. For more details contact the Program Director or the School of Health Sciences.

Madison College's Veterinary Technician Program has been accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) since 1974.

Click on the following link to learn what Essential skills students learn in the program. [AVMA CVTEA Skills](#)

Common Duties Include:

Collect samples and perform diagnostic laboratory tests

Administer and monitor anesthesia

Apply and maintain bandages

Place intravenous catheters

Client education and communication

Perform dental procedures and oral radiographs

Radiography, EKG and other diagnostic tests

Perform physical examinations, gather medical histories, draw blood and take vital signs

Provide emergency first aid

Prepare and assist with surgery

Animal pharmaceutical training

Animal nursing care

After graduation, pass the Veterinary Technician National Exam to become a certified veterinary technician.

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Requirements:

You must demonstrate the ability to meet the essential functions of the Veterinary Technician program.

Transfer Credit

The Veterinary Technician program only accepts transfer credit for the 091 courses from other AVMA accredited programs/schools. Course syllabi and AVMA Essential Skills covered in those courses need to be provided to the Veterinary Technician Program Director for evaluation and consideration of transferability.

Following successful completion of this associates degree, students may complete a Bachelors of Animal Science at either UW River Falls or UW Platteville in 2 additional years.

Program Details

12 credits of core program courses available each semester.

Veterinary Technician classes are offered at these Madison College campuses:

Madison - Truax

Careers

Earning your Associate Degree in Applied Science program at Madison Area Technical College prepares you for valuable work in:

Veterinary Technician

Laboratory Animal Technician

Veterinary Technologists and Technicians are some of the fastest growing occupations, with a projected growth of 16%

from 2019 to 2029.

Technicians are usually employed by:

Small/companion services

Large animal/equine facilities

Mixed animal or exotic animal practices

Humane societies

Research environments

With additional education and/or work experience, graduates may find employment as:

Hospital Managers

Facility Managers

Pet Food Company Representative

Drug Company Representative

Learn about other veterinary technician opportunities.

This program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities.

Resources

Reference

[Qualitative Health Research: Creating a New Discipline](#)

[Introduction to Medical Software: Foundations for Digital Health, Devices, and Diagnostics \(Cambridge Texts in Biomedical Engineering\)](#)