CT STATE
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VETERINARY TECHNICIAN

Veterinary technicians are animal nurses and are highly skilled in many areas, such as anesthesia, surgical nursing and assisting, dentistry, radiology, pharmacy, laboratory procedures, preventative healthcare, nursing care and client education. Veterinary technicians are essential to the provision of veterinary care, and are employed in small and large animal hospitals, emergency hospitals, research facilities and pharmaceutical companies, as well as rescue organizations, zoos, aquariums and wildlife refuges. Veterinary technicians can specialize in various fields of interest once they have been licensed and in practice for several years.

For further information about the field of veterinary technology, and to better understand the difference between veterinarians, veterinary technicians and veterinary assistants, please see the National Association of Veterinary Technicians of America website: https://www.navta.net/faqs

THE VETERINARY TECHNICIAN ROLE INCLUDES:

- Performing diagnostic procedures ordered by the veterinarian, including obtaining radiographs and acquiring samples for and running in-hospital blood and urine tests
- Calculating and administering medications prescribed by the veterinarian
- Inducing and monitoring anesthesia on patients undergoing general anesthesia
- Prepping patients, instruments and equipment for surgical procedures
- Interacting with clients to obtain patient histories, communicate discharge instructions, and provide client education
- Triaging patients and providing in-hospital nursing care
- Dispensing prescription and non-prescription medications per the veterinarian's orders
- Practice management tasks such as inventory control and record-keeping

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM, LICENSURE AND ACCREDITATION

The Veterinary Technology programs at Middlesex, Northwestern and Norwalk campuses of Connecticut State Community College offer an associate in science degree and are AVMA-CVTEA (American Veterinary Medical Association - Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities) accredited. Graduates are able to sit for the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE).

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Selective Admissions

Application period: **October 1 to April 1**

Program start dates: **Fall**

Middlesex: **Full-time program**

Northwestern: **Full- or Part-time program**

Norwalk: **Full- or Part-time program**

Late applications may be accepted after April 1 if open seats remain.

HOW MANY STUDENTS ACCEPTED EACH YEAR APPROXIMATELY

24 Middlesex

16-24 Northwestern

18 Norwalk

PROGRAM INFORMATION, OUTCOMES AND EMPLOYMENT

Please see the campus website for the individual campus program information and outcome data.

Middlesex: **www.mxcc.edu/veterinary-technology**

Northwestern: **www.nwcc.edu/veterinary-technology**

Norwalk: **www.norwalk.edu/veterinary-technology**

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook: **www.bls.gov/ooh**

SELECTION PROCESS

Student Math and Science admission GPA, personal statement and recommendations form the basis for qualification and entry into the Veterinary Technology program.

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE

Admission Requirement	Grade Requirement	Time Requirement
English Composition	C or higher	N/A
Intermediate Algebra or higher	C or higher	N/A
General Biology	C or higher	Within five years of application
Concepts of Chemistry	C or higher	Within five years of application
GPA based on MATH, CHEM and BIO GPA	2.7 or higher	N/A
Academic Recommendation	N/A	N/A
Professional Recommendation	N/A	N/A
Personal Statement	N/A	N/A

Please note that all required coursework must be college level. The personal statement and recommendations must be received by the application deadline; however, coursework can be in progress during the spring semester of the application year.

TO APPLY

Scan the QR code or visit **ctstate.elluciancrmrecruit.com/apply**

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

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Norwalk: Catherine Liegey - **cliegey@norwalk.edu**

LEARN MORE

CCS 1001 – College and Career Success is a CT State Community College requirement and students must enroll within their first nine credits. This is not a complete guide for admission requirements. Courses may require prerequisites. For detailed information about the admissions process and the application requirements, visit the campus program website.

Note: Information on this sheet is subject to change. If you do not intend to apply to the Veterinary Technician program for the 2024-2025 academic year, please obtain an updated fact sheet the year you apply.