

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Moberly Area Community College's Associate of Applied Science Degree in Veterinary Technology program. This two-year program is housed on the Mexico campus in Mexico, Missouri. The mission of the program is to produce exceptional career-ready veterinary technicians committed to improving animal health and the profession of veterinary medicine.

To begin the application process, the following admission packet must be completed and submitted to the Director of Veterinary Technology at Moberly Area Community College by the deadline stated on the Veterinary Technology Application for Admission. Admission criteria can be located on the application for admission, in the college catalog, and on the college website at www.macc.edu/vet-tech. Applicants whose records indicate the greatest potential for successful achievement in veterinary technology will be selected for admission into the program. A weighted admission process is utilized to select qualified candidates for acceptance into the program. The process for selection is outlined in the admission packet.

This program will prepare you to deliver the highest quality health care to a variety of animal species. Successful completion of the program does not guarantee eligibility to take the licensing exam. Please see the Code of State Regulations by the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board, which provides additional criteria for eligibility to apply for licensure as a Registered Veterinary Technician in Missouri.

All application materials must be received by the stated deadline. Only complete application packets will be considered. If you have questions, please contact the Director of Veterinary Technology at 573-582-0817, ext. 13662 or email stephgi@macc.edu

Submit application materials to:
Moberly Area Community College
Veterinary Technology
2900 Doreli Ln.
Mexico, MO 65265

Sincerely,

Stephanie Gilliam, RVTg, MS, CCRP, VTS (Neurology)
Director of Veterinary Technology
Moberly Area Community College

Moberly Area Community College
Veterinary Technology Program
Admission Procedures and Program Policies

Employment Opportunities

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Veterinary Technology is obtained upon graduation of this two-year program. This degree provides the graduate with information, skills and experience they will need to pursue a fulfilling career in veterinary medicine.

Currently, veterinary technology is one of the top ten fastest-growing career fields. Often, graduates of the program can be selective on job placement because the job market far surpasses the current supply of technicians.

Program Costs

Access the website at www.macc.edu/admissions/fees-and-tuition for current tuition rates and lab fees. In addition to tuition costs, there are laboratory fees and some program fees for the veterinary technology program to help cover the cost of laboratory supplies. Other science courses at MACC such as Chemistry and Biology may also have laboratory fees. Books for the two-year program will average \$1100.

Financial Aid

All veterinary technology students applying for financial aid and/or scholarships must do so through the financial aid office at MACC. You should apply for financial aid as soon as possible.

Scholarships

The Missouri Veterinary Technician Association offers a \$500 student scholarship once per year. You must be a member of the MoVTA to qualify (student membership is free). Find more information at www.movta.org.

MACC offers a scholarship once per year for Veterinary Technology students. Find more information at <https://www.macc.edu/financial-aid-types/scholarships>.

Student Responsibilities

Students are expected to follow the code of student conduct set by the College and to conduct themselves in a professional, ethical, and responsible manner.

MACC Non-Discrimination Policy

Moberly Area Community College is committed to a policy of non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, disability, age, marital or parental status, pregnancy, religion, genetics, ancestry, or veteran status, in admissions, educational programs, activities, and employment.

As an Equal Opportunity employer and institution, Moberly Area Community College is further committed to the prohibition of discrimination against any individual and their status in one or more of the protected classes outlined in [29 CFR 38.25](#).

Performance Standards for Veterinary Technicians

The Performance Standards discussed here define performance expectations that must be met for successful entry and completion of the Veterinary Technology Program. It is the policy of Moberly Area Community College to provide reasonable accommodations for those with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need an accommodation due to a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact the Columbia MACC ADA office. Some accommodations may require up to six weeks to prepare.

The Veterinary Technology Program is operated by Moberly Area Community College in accordance with regulations of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Learning Commission and the Missouri Department of Higher Education. The Veterinary Technology Program is also governed by the minimum standards for operation of Veterinary Technology Programs as set forth by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).

Performance Standards for Veterinary Technicians

Ability	Standard	Some Examples of Skills and Aptitude Needed for Success in a Veterinary Technology Career
Critical Thinking	Critical thinking sufficient for clinical judgment.	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.
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, maneuver in small spaces, lift fifty pounds, and provide assistance to patients.	Safely 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 such as 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 species of animals. Ability to stand for extended periods of time. Ability to withstand extreme weather conditions. Immune system competence.	Safely lift, position and restrain animals such as; dogs, cats, cattle and horses, and supplies for treatment. Surgical assistance. Daily clinical routine, cleaning cages and feeding animals. Year-round treatment and care of outdoor animals. Exposure to a wide range of chemical and biological agents.

**Moberly Area Community College
Veterinary Technology
Admission Checklist**

All of these items need to be returned to the Veterinary Technology Office. After all these forms have been completed, please check the boxes, and turn in all forms together. These must be in your file prior to the application deadline.

- ☐ Read and comply with the admissions procedures and performance standards for veterinary technicians.
- ☐ Complete the MACC College Application online at (https://my.macc.edu/ICS/Admissions/Admissions_Homepage.jnz?portlet=Apply_Online_2.0) if you are not already a MACC student.
- ☐ Send official high school/GED/HiSET or college/university transcripts to Moberly Area Community College. Please see instructions for submitting official transcripts at www.macc.edu/transcript-request.
- ☐ Complete and submit to the Director of Veterinary Technology the MACC Veterinary Technology application.
- ☐ Print the observation evaluation form and give it to your supervisor at your place of employment (if you are employed at a veterinary facility), or during your job shadowing hours. Your supervisor should fill out the form, place in a sealed envelope, sign on the seal and return the form to you. Please mail this form to the Director of Veterinary Technology at the address provided.
- ☐ Print the veterinary technology reference form and distribute them to at least 2 professional references.
- ☐ Inform your references to complete the form, place it in a sealed envelope, sign on the seal, and return to the Director of Veterinary Technology at the address provided.

Applications will be reviewed and selected without consideration of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, disability, age, marital or parental status, religion, genetics, ancestry, or veteran status. Applicants whose records indicate the greatest potential for successful achievement in veterinary technology will be selected for admission into the program. A weighted admission is utilized to select qualified candidates for acceptance. The top 50 applicants will go to the Veterinary Technology Admissions Committee for a competitive selection process. Applications for the program are due by February 20. No late applications will be accepted.

NOTE: Applications can be hand delivered to the Veterinary Technology office, room 130 at MACC Mexico; emailed to vettechapplications@macc.edu, or mailed to Moberly Area Community College, Attn: Veterinary Technology, 2900 Doreli Ln., Mexico, MO 65265. It is recommended if you mail your application that you check in 7 to 10 days to ensure it was received.

Application Processing

Application Deadline	Acceptance Letters Sent	New Class Orientation	Classes Begin
February 20 th	March	August	August

Additional Admission Criteria

1. Please note that health insurance is required for all veterinary technology students.
2. A cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better from high school or college. All university or college coursework attempted will be evaluated by the MACC Registrar to determine a student's cumulative grade point average. High school GPA is used unless you have 12 or more college credit hours.
3. Have either completed or are currently enrolled in prerequisites:
 - a. LAL101 Composition I
 - b. MTH140 Precalculus Algebra OR MTH142 Quantitative Reasoning
 - c. BIO101 Biology
 - i. If you are currently enrolled in courses at the time of application, your admission to the program will be contingent upon completion of these courses with a grade of at least a "C."
4. Please note that upon acceptance, students must provide proof of tetanus and rabies immunizations prior to beginning coursework in veterinary technology. MACC students are eligible to receive rabies immunizations at the University of Missouri Student Health Center. More information will be sent following acceptance into the veterinary technology program.

**Moberly Area Community College
Veterinary Technology
Application for Admission**

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATION IS February 20 FOR FALL ADMISSION.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Date of Application _____

Legal Name _____

MACC Student ID Number _____

Home address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

PREVIOUS EDUCATION

Schools Attended	Name and Location	Certificate, Diploma, or Degree Awarded (or current major)	Dates
High School			
College or University			
Other			
Other			

VETERINARY CLINICAL EMPLOYMENT

(Only complete this section if you have work experience in veterinary medical practice.)

Employer	Address	Dates

Please initial on the lines provided.

_____ I understand that I must have current tetanus and rabies immunizations to attend the MACC Veterinary Technology program.

_____ I have read the Performance Standards for the MACC Veterinary Technology Program and realize that these standards must be met for successful entry, progression, and completion of the program.

_____ I understand that the State may not issue me a license if I have a felony conviction.

- If you have questions or concerns regarding this please contact the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board at 573-751-0031 or vets@pr.mo.gov. As each state's laws vary, if you plan to practice in another state you will need to contact that state's veterinary medical board for inquiries.
- Please disclose any felony convictions here:

_____ I have requested official high school/GED/HiSET or college/university transcripts to be sent to Moberly Area Community College.

- Transcripts are due by application deadline, or your application will be considered incomplete.

Admission Essay: A 250-300 word essay describing how attending the Moberly Area Community College Veterinary Technology Program will help you achieve your career goals. Please attach this on a separate sheet.

Applicant's Printed Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

**Moberly Area Community College
Veterinary Technology Program
Observation Evaluation for Prospective Veterinary Technology Students**

Prospective students who are not employed by a veterinarian must complete a minimum of eight (8) hours of clinical observation.

Prospective students who are employed by a veterinarian must have their supervisor complete this form.

A Registered Veterinary Technician or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine must complete this form.

Name of Prospective Student: _____

Name of Facility: _____

Name of RVT/DVM Supervisor: _____

Date of Observation(s) or Employment: _____

Total Time of Observation(s) or Employment at Facility: _____

1. Does the student arrive and depart according to schedule?

Yes No

Comments:

2. Does the student dress appropriately?

Appropriate	Inappropriate
5 4 3 2 1	

Comments:

3. Does the student display interest in clinical activities?

Strong Interest	No Interest
5 4 3 2 1	

Comments:

4. Does the student ask appropriate questions?

Appropriate	Inappropriate
5 4 3 2 1	

Comments:

5. General thoughts or comments:

PLACE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, SIGN ON THE SEAL, AND GIVE TO THE OBSERVATION STUDENT SO THEY MAY SUBMIT IT WITH THEIR APPLICATION. STUDENTS: IF THE SEAL IS BROKEN, THE EVALUATION WILL BE DISCARDED.

Moberly Area Community College

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ATTN: VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY. 2900 DORELI LN., MEXICO, MO 65265**

Moberly Area Community College

**Veterinary Technology Program
REFERENCE FORM**

TO THE EVALUATOR COMPLETING THIS FORM:

The Admissions Committee needs your candid opinion of this applicant. Your evaluation of them as a person and your impressions of their qualifications and fitness for the study of veterinary technology are important.

This form is confidential.

Applicant Evaluation For: _____
Printed Name of Applicant

How long have you known the applicant? _____

What is your association with the applicant? _____

What are the applicant's strengths?

What are the applicant's weaknesses?

Please mark your recommendation of this applicant:

- _____ I highly recommend.
- _____ I recommend.
- _____ I hesitate to recommend.
- _____ I do not recommend.
- _____ I have not known the applicant long enough to give a recommendation.

Comments:

CONFIDENTIAL

Evaluator Signature Evaluator Printed Name

Evaluator's Title: _____

Please provide your telephone number if you believe that this evaluation warrants further contact with the Admissions Committee. _____

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MACC Veterinary Technology**

Student Admission Evaluation
(To be completed by MACC Veterinary Technology Admissions Committee)

Student Name and ID: _____ **Total Score:** _____

1. Academia (6 points)

GPA	High School Points	College Points	GED Score	HiSET Score	Points (GED/HiSET)	Points Earned
2.5-2.69	1	2	145-154	45-58	1	
2.7-2.99	2	3	155-164	59-66	2	
3.0-3.49	3	4	165-174	67-82	3	
3.5-3.75	4	5	175-184	83-90	4	
3.76-4.0	5	6	>184	91-100	5	

2. Essay (5 points):

200-300 words typed (1):

No spelling or grammatical errors (1):

Essay content appropriate (3):

TOTAL ESSAY: _____

3. Veterinary Experience (3 points)

a. Working in veterinary medical field >6 months (1):

b. Positive reference from veterinarian or RVT (1):

c. Negative reference (-1):

d. Positive reference from someone outside of veterinary field (0.5):

d. Positive observation evaluation (1):

TOTAL VET EXPERIENCE: _____