Veterinary Technology

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

About This Program

The mission of the Veterinary Technology program is to provide local and global veterinary communities with ethical graduates committed to lifelong learning and professional development. Graduates will have the entry level skills and knowledge required for the contemporary veterinary practice. The core program focus is companion-animal practice, but all facets of veterinary medicine, including large animal medicine, biomedical research and industry-related topics are emphasized.

This program culminates in an Associate of Science degree in Veterinary Technology.

Visit carrington.edu/student-consumer-info/ for important information on program outcomes.

Program availability varies by location. Carrington College reserves the right to update information as it becomes available. For the most updated information, visit carrington.edu.

General Education Coursework

In this Carrington College degree program, students complete technical coursework as well as general education course offerings focusing on:

- English composition
- Mathematics
- Communications
- Social sciences
- Computer literacy

Technical Coursework

The Veterinary Technology program at Carrington College is a balance of theory and practical instruction, with courses in animal anatomy and physiology, biology and chemistry. The program includes an externship, allowing students to practice their skills in a veterinary setting. The Veterinary Technology program has a companion animal emphasis, and students should note that the curriculum is not intended as a pre-veterinary program.

Total coursework for degree (credit hours)	63.5
Program Length	88 weeks
	(not including breaks)

Carrington's academic catalog, available at carrington.edu/carrington-college/catalog, provides the most current and detailed program information, including admission and graduation requirements.

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Careers in Veterinary Technology

Veterinary technicians typically work under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian doing clinical work such as performing various medical tests and treating medical conditions and diseases in animals. They also perform laboratory tests and take blood samples, assist with dental care, prepare tissue samples and assist veterinarians in a variety of other diagnostic tests and procedures.

Graduates of Carrington College's Veterinary Technology program are prepared to perform entry-level duties in a veterinary setting. Vet techs' career path can lead to employment in a variety of animal health care environments such as:

- Veterinary hospitals and clinics
- Rescue leagues
- Colleges, universities and research facilities

Knowledge and Skills

Upon completion of the Veterinary Technology program, graduates will be able to:

- Perform a variety of administrative, clinical, nursing and surgical assisting procedures in a veterinary medical setting
- Demonstrate the ability to apply critical thinking, work collaboratively, communicate clearly and act professionally

Accreditation, Approvals and Program Availability

Carrington College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC/WASC), 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, 415 506 0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the US Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at accjc.org.

The Veterinary Technology program at the Citrus Heights, Ontario, Pleasant Hill, Sacramento, San Jose, San Leandro and Stockton campuses is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association as a program for educating veterinary technicians, avma.org/professionaldevelopment/education/accreditation/programs/pages/default.aspx .

For comprehensive information on Carrington's accreditation, licenses and approvals, visit carrington.edu/accreditation.

The Veterinary Technology program is offered to new students at:

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA	SAN JOSE, CA
ONTARIO, CA	SAN LEANDRO, CA
PLEASANT HILL, CA	STOCKTON, CA
SACRAMENTO, CA	

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