

# LARGE ANIMAL VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REQUIREMENTS

## Admission Requirements

- Certify you are a high school graduate or have a high school equivalency diploma (HSED). All documents must be submitted to the Northeast Iowa Community College Admissions Office.
- Satisfy minimum requirements on a placement assessment for enrollment in College Composition I and College Algebra. Acceptable assessments include ACT Compass®, ACT®, ACCUPLACER®, ALEKS® or completion of approved college coursework with a grade of C- or above. Approved courses include Foundations of Writing or Intermediate Algebra. Submit assessment results or official college transcripts to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. The placement assessment must have occurred within three years of your application date.

	ACCUPLACER®	ALEKS®	ACT®	ACT Compass®
Writing	5	n/a	19	70
Math		45		

- Complete a formal interview with faculty from the Large Animal Veterinary Technician program. During the interview, the faculty will review the student's extracurricular and community activities, animal veterinary and work experience, personal development, professionalism and any special circumstances. Each factor is considered and will contribute to the overall impression of the applicant and their qualifications for the program. This should be treated as a professional interview, with the applicant dressing accordingly.
- Interviews may be scheduled after all admission requirements have been completed. The interviews are available by appointment only on the Calmar campus. Call 563.562.3263, ext. 242, to schedule your interview.

## Program Supplies

Tuition/Fees	\$13,968 in state*
Stethoscope	\$50-\$100
Immunizations	\$1,000-\$1,500
Digital Thermometer	\$10
Coveralls (Pella Brand)	\$50-\$100
Rubber Boots	\$15-\$20
Surgical Scrubs and Lab Coat (to be purchased after the start of the program)	\$30-\$40
Summer Internships	\$1,000-\$1,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,123-\$17,238*</b>

The costs provided are estimated at time of printing and do not reflect the exact costs a student may incur. This is provided as a guide to financing your Large Animal Veterinary Technician education.

\* Based on the 2018-2019 tuition and fee rates. Out of state tuition is \$15,408. Total for out of state students is \$17,563-\$18,678.

## Required Immunizations

**Rabies:** Pre-exposure vaccination is given intramuscularly and consists of three injections, one injection per day on days 0, 7, and 21 or 28. Students must provide proof of the first rabies shot to the Compliance office no later than July 15 for the year they intend to start the program. Proof of series completion is due to the Compliance office prior to the start of the fall semester.

A letter indicating the requirement for a rabies immunization can be obtained from the Compliance office. Some insurance companies require this documentation to determine if the immunization is a covered expense.

**Influenza:** Obtain vaccination between Sept. 1 and Nov. 15. Proof of completion is due the Compliance office on Nov. 15.

**Tetanus:** Complete before starting the first semester. This vaccine is valid for 10 years.

Students may choose the healthcare provider of their choice. Winneshiek Public Health is a local provider that offers all of these immunizations.

### Winneshiek Public Health

563.382.4662

### Compliance Specialist

563.556.5110, ext. 346

## Internships

Students will participate in two internships. Announcement of internship placement will occur during the first year of the program by the Large Animal Veterinary Technician faculty.

### Iowa State University (ISU)- First Year: Summer semester

- Two weeks (one week online, one week on-site) at the Swine Medicine Education Center in Ames, Iowa, with required housing on the ISU campus.

### Student Selected Internship- Second Year: Spring semester

- 128 hours of on-the-job training at a veterinary clinic, lab or commercial facility approved by Northeast Iowa Community College faculty.

## Accreditation

The Large Animal Veterinary Technician Program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA).



## Learn More.

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