



NORTHEAST IOWA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PRODUCTION & COMPANION ANIMAL VETERINARY TECHNICIAN | CALMAR

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Admission Requirements

High School Completion.

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 (NICC) Admissions Office. » admissions@nicc.edu

Placement Testing.

Satisfy minimum requirements on a placement assessment for enrollment in College Composition I and College Algebra. Requirements may be satisfied by college or high school coursework, or completing one of the following placement assessments: ACT, ACCUPLACER, ALEKS or SAT. Students should submit their high school or official college transcript or assessment results to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. The placement assessment must have occurred within three years of your application date.

MATH

- ALEKS® minimum score: 45
- ACT® math minimum score: 22
- SAT® math minimum score: 540
- High School: Cumulative GPA 2.80 or above. Completion of Algebra I and II with a grade of C- or above. Graduation within the past 5 years
- College Coursework: Intermediate Algebra with a grade of C- or above.

WRITING

- ACCUPLACER® minimum score: 5
- ACT® minimum score: 22
- SAT® math minimum score: 430
- High School: Cumulative GPA 2.80 or above. Completion of Algebra I and II with a grade of C- or above. Graduation within the past 5 years
- College Coursework: Foundations of Writing with a grade of C- or above.

Coursework.

It is highly recommended that applicants complete a veterinary technician job shadow. The job shadow should be a total of four to six hours at one or more facilities. To arrange your visit contact the veterinary facility's Human Resources/Education department.

Formal Interview.

Complete a formal interview with faculty from the Production and Companion 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 or the student can confirm they are currently enrolled in the final course(s) required for acceptance. The interviews are available by appointment only on the Calmar campus. Call 844.642.2338, ext. 8106 to schedule your interview.

Required Immunizations

- **Rabies:** Pre-exposure vaccination is given intramuscularly and consists of two injections given seven days apart. Proof of series completion is due to the Compliance Office before 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 to the Compliance office by Oct. 1.
- **Tetanus:** Proof of a current tetanus vaccination is due prior to the start of the fall 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

PROGRAM COSTS	PRODUCTION & COMPANION ANIMAL VETERINARY TECHNICIAN
Tuition/Fees	\$15,744 in-state* \$18,018 out-of-state*
Stethoscope & Digital Thermometer	\$60 - \$110
Coveralls (Pella Brand) & Rubber Boots	\$65 - \$120
Surgical Scrubs & Lab Coat (to be purchased after program start)	\$135
Radiology Badge Fee	\$20
Immunizations	\$1,000-\$5,000
VTNE Test Prep	\$300
Summer Internships (tuition, room, board)	\$1,200
Books	\$2,400
TOTAL	\$20,924 - \$25,029 in-state \$23,198 - \$27,303 out-of-state

The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur.
* Based on the 2024-2025 tuition and fee rates.

Internships

Students will participate in two internships. Announcement of internship placement will occur during the first year of the program by the Production and Companion 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. Students will be required to provide proper documentation of health insurance.
- Student Selected Internship- Second Year: Spring semester
 - Students will complete four weeks of on-the-job training at a veterinary clinic, lab or commercial facility approved by Northeast Iowa Community College faculty.

Accreditation

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

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