

Minnesota Articulated College Credit (ACC) Agreement

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Agreement Name: Veterinary Technology

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Colleges	Course Name	Course Number	ACC
Rochester Community & Technical College	Introduction to Veterinary Technology	VT 1110	2 of 3 total credits

Curriculum Content Objectives:

To receive credit, students will be introduced to 100% of the following content objectives:

1. Understand the history, career opportunities and the members of the veterinary health team.
2. Understand, identify and discuss the ethics, professionalism and laws governing the activities of the veterinary health team.
3. Understand how animal welfare and animal rights affect the responsibilities of the veterinary health team while working with animals in our society.
4. Discuss safety issues consistent with CVTEA Policy on Safety and OSHA regulations
5. Understand the relationship of the human animal bond and how it relates to the veterinary health care team.
6. Discuss the role of the veterinary health care team in dealing with pet loss and euthanasia.
7. Understand preventive health care and recommend vaccination schedules for various species as it relates to client education.
8. Identify the common carriers of zoonotic diseases, how these diseases affect the animal carriers and how the diseases are transmitted to humans.
9. Discuss legal and ethical issues related to the veterinary technology profession.
10. Select appropriate strategies for dealing with personal and emotional issues confronting veterinary technicians.
11. Demonstrate a basic understanding of cat and breeds.

Overview of Veterinary Technology

- a) Veterinary Health Care Team - definitions, roles and job duties
- b) Professional organizations
- c) Regulatory Agencies
- d) Careers and career paths

Professional Ethics and Laws

- a) Professionalism
- b) Practice acts
- c) Professional Communication
- d) Ethics
- e) Laws governing veterinary medicine
- f) Professional growth

Animals in Society

- a) Animal industries
- b) Human animal bond
- c) Animal use and ownership
- d) Animal welfare
- e) Animal rights

Companion Animals

- a) Domestication

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- b) Scientific / Common names
- c) Animal husbandry
- d) Dog breeds
- e) Cat breeds
- f) Preventative health programs

Pet

- a) Types of pet loss
- b) Euthanasia
- c) The grief process
- d) Health care team responsibility

Safety in the Veterinary Facility

- a) Hazards in the workplace
- b) OSHA
- c) Zoonotic diseases
- d) Public health

Individual colleges may require demonstration of knowledge and/or skills.

Assessments:

Students must achieve no less than 80% or B for a final grade in the high school course to receive ACC.

Methods may include but are not limited to:

- Objective and/or subjective tests and quizzes
- Course assignments
- Group work/projects
- Course participation

ACC Concept:

Through Articulated College Credit (ACC), specific college curriculum content goals and assessments are embedded in participating high school career and technical education (CTE) programs as specified in this agreement. Relevant knowledge, skills, and standards are taught by qualified CTE high school instructor(s) in one or more high school course. ACC is awarded if the student meets the college equivalency standards and later enrolls in the college(s) listed below requiring the course in a specific program.