EDUCATION, THEN WHAT? / PATHWAY GUIDE

Veterinary Technician

Central Oregon Community College · Associate degree

A selective-entry degree preparing veterinary technicians for the national examination.

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Review biology, chemistry and mathematics prerequisites and the selective-entry application.

TIME, SCHEDULE & APPLICATION

105–106 credits including listed prerequisites. Allow separately for prerequisite preparation, selection and the clinical start date.

BUILD YOUR BUDGET

2026-27 tuition is $130 per credit for in-district residents and $185 for out-of-district Oregon residents and qualifying border-state residents. Course, lab and other fees are additional; Oregon residency alone does not establish the in-district rate. Add remaining program and living expenses; compare your cost after confirmed aid.

CREDENTIALS & OUTCOMES

Veterinary technician examination and certification requirements are separate from the degree. A technician is not a veterinarian.

YOUR NEXT THREE STEPS

1. Review the exact program. Check the award, entry checklist and next start.
2. Build your full budget. Include preparation, supplies and travel.
3. Explore the connected career. Compare duties, Oregon wages and required preparation.