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# The Veterinary Technician Program

at Macomb Community College

## Taking Care of our Companions

It's a unique profession, ideally suited for someone who loves animals and is interested in a field that is driven by both science and compassion. No, animals cannot tell us how they feel, but as a veterinary technician, you will be among those who speak and act on their behalf.

Working under the supervision of a doctor of veterinary medicine, your duties will include educating clients, nursing hospitalized patients, performing routine tests, administering anesthesia, preparing instruments for surgery, collecting specimens for laboratory analysis, taking and developing radiographs and assisting with most aspects of animal care, including record keeping.

## The Program

At the state-of-the-art training facility on Macomb's Center Campus, you will meet Quiz, the program's boxer mascot, and work with animals from local shelters.

The program is completed in five semesters, which include two internships at local veterinary facilities, and culminates in an Associate of Applied Science degree. You will learn from doctors of veterinary medicine and licensed veterinary technicians, whose combined knowledge and experience will help prepare you for passing the Veterinary Technician National Exam, required for licensing.

## Selective Admissions Criteria

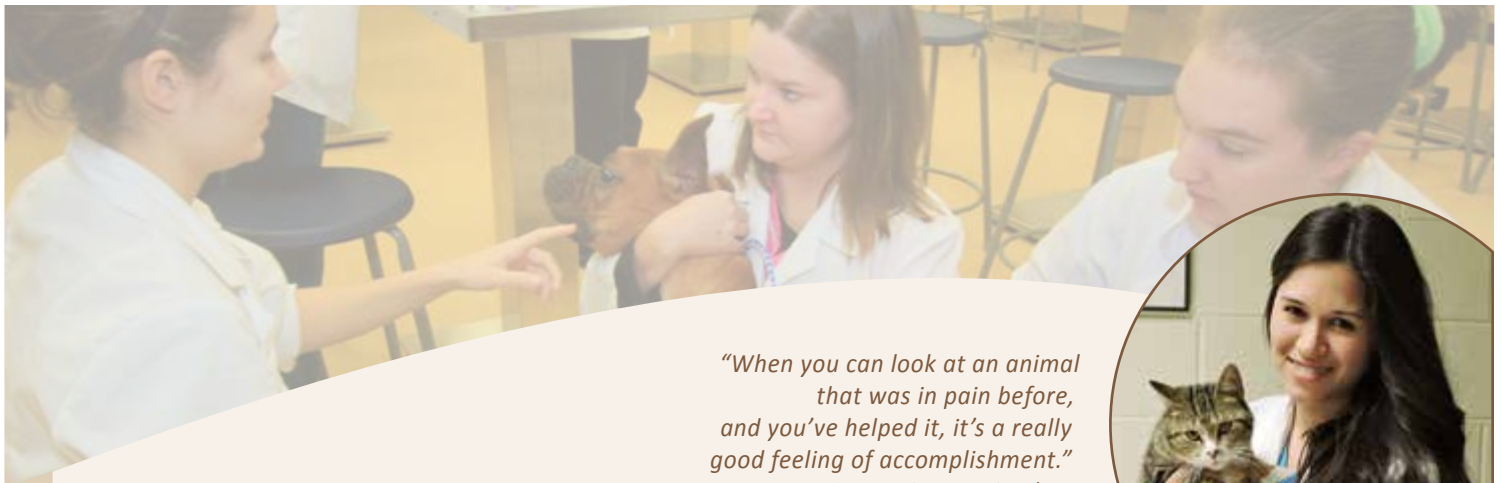
You must apply and be accepted into Macomb's Veterinary Technician Program based on established criteria.

For a Selective Admissions packet, visit [www.macomb.edu](http://www.macomb.edu) and search "Selective Admissions," or call the Enrollment Office at 586.445.7999.

## Accreditation

The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Veterinary Technician program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), 1931 N. Meacham Road, Suite 100, Schaumburg, IL 60173, 800.248.2862. The Veterinary Technician program's teaching hospital is also accredited by the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA), 12575 W. Bayaud Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80228. AAHA's phone number is 800.252.2242.





*“When you can look at an animal that was in pain before, and you’ve helped it, it’s a really good feeling of accomplishment.”*

—Brittany Garvey, Student

### **TRANSFERRING IS EASY**

Credits earned at Macomb may be transferable. Students intending to transfer to another college or university should talk to a Macomb counselor or academic advisor before registering for classes.

586.445.7999

**For more information, visit [www.macomb.edu](http://www.macomb.edu). Arrange to take a personal tour of the Veterinary Technician program’s state-of-the-art facilities by contacting the program director at [renda-francisL@macomb.edu](mailto:renda-francisL@macomb.edu) or 586.286.2096.**

**For general information about Macomb Community College, call 866.Macomb1 (866.622.6621) or email [answer@macomb.edu](mailto:answer@macomb.edu).**

### *Career opportunities*

Like most Macomb Veterinary Technician graduates, you will likely have the opportunity to start your career immediately after graduation and/or continue on at one of the colleges and universities now offering bachelor’s degrees in veterinary technology. Openings for veterinary technicians can be found in:

- Private small animal practices
- Private large or mixed animal practices
- Medical research
- Humane Society organizations
- Zoos
- Pet stores, boarding kennels
- Grooming salons

### *Employment outlook*

With an associate degree and the required credentials, you will be qualified for careers including Registered Veterinary Technician, Certified Veterinary Technician and Licensed Veterinary Technician. Median salary for these careers is \$32,490 in Michigan with 20 percent growth in openings expected through 2026.

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**Two years at Macomb equals a tremendous savings—\$18,000+—compared to attending a Michigan four-year public university. Approximately 80 percent of Macomb students leave the college DEBT FREE.**

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