# Veterinary Technology Program MCC – Maple Woods Application for Admission

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Veterinary Technology program accepts thirty to thirty-five students per year. Program applications are due *April 1<sup>st</sup>*. Late applications will not be accepted.

Application Deadline	Interviews	Orientation	Classes Begin
April 1st	May	June	August

#### STEPS FOR APPLICATION

- 1. Apply to Metropolitan Community College
- 2. <u>Send official transcripts</u> to Metropolitan Community College
- 3. Complete prerequisite courses
  - a. BIOL 106 General Zoology or BIOL 101 General Biology
  - b. ENGL 101 Composition and Reading I
  - c. CHEM 105 Introductory Chemistry *or* CHEM 111 General Chemistry

NOTE: Prerequisite courses must be completed and/or applicants must be currently taking prerequisite courses when the program application is submitted.

**4.** Complete seven hours of observation in a veterinary practice that employs a Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT)

This is only required if you <u>are not</u> currently employed in a veterinary facility.

5. Have a minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.5

	6.	Apply to	the Maple	Woods	Veterinary	<sup>,</sup> Technology	Program:
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Application packets submitted to the program should include the following items.

Application Form Completed and signed	
Essay (200-300 words) Describe how attending the MCC-Maple Woods Veterinary Technology Program will help you achieve your career goals	
Resume Highlighting academic and work experience	
Observation Evaluation If you <i>do not</i> work in a veterinary facility	
Completed Current College Enrollment Form If you are <i>currently</i> taking courses at time of application On-line courses: screen shot current grade	
Two Confidential References Current employer DVM or RVT if employed in veterinary facility	

# Mail completed application packets to:

MCC - Maple Woods Veterinary Technology Program 2601 NE Barry Rd Kansas City, Mo 64156

#### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

As a student in the veterinary technology program you are responsible for animal care outside regular classroom hours. Each student will be assigned up to 40 hours of animal care tasks each semester. Duties will include cleaning and feeding a variety of species, bathing and grooming, exercising, training and enrichment activities, and administering medications. Students should consider this responsibility both an opportunity to learn and give back to the animals.

Students are expected to follow the MCC Student Code of Conduct and present themselves in a professional, ethical and responsible manner.

#### PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY TECHNICIANS

The Performance Standards discussed on the following page define performance expectations that must be met for successful entry and completion of the Veterinary Technology Program. It is the policy of MCC-Maple Woods to provide reasonable accommodations for those with needs as defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need an accommodation due to a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact the Disabilities Support Services office at (816) 604-3192. Some accommodations may require up to six weeks to prepare.

The Veterinary Technology Program is operated by MCC-Maple Woods in accordance with regulations of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and of the Coordinating Board of Higher Education. The Veterinary Technology Program is also governed by the minimum standards for operation of Veterinary Technology Programs as set forth by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).

# PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR VETERINARY TECHNICIANS

Ability	Standard	Some Examples of Skills and Aptitude Needed for Success in a Veterinary Technology Career
Critical Thinking	Critical thinking sufficient for clinical judgment.	Identify cause-effect relationships in clinical situations.  Develop nursing care plans. Demonstrate problem solving skills. Adapt to stressful situations.
Interpersonal	Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with patients, clients, families & groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural & intellectual backgrounds.	Establish rapport with patients/clients & colleagues.  Recognize appropriate boundaries in relationships with patients/clients & colleagues.
Communication	Communication abilities for interaction with others orally & in writing.	Explain treatment procedures, initiate health teaching, document & interpret nursing actions and patient/client responses.
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, maneuver in small spaces, lift fifty pounds, and provide assistance to patients.	Safely move around in patient & treatment areas.  Administer CPR. Provide physical assistance to clients & colleagues to ensure safety within the environment. Ability to prevent or escape injury caused by animals. (i.e. biting, kicking, stampede)
Motor Skills	Gross & fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe, effective nursing care in a timely manner.	Use of instruments, supplies, safety devices and communication equipment in the care of patients.  Performance of nursing care, surgical assistance, & laboratory techniques.
Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs.	Hear auscultory sounds, monitor alarms, emergency signals, and cries for help. Hear warning sounds from animals and humans of impending danger/injury.
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care.	Observe patients for expected and unexpected physical and emotional responses to nursing and medical treatment regimens. Use of diagnostic equipment such as a microscope, thermometer, refractometer, etc
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and to perform nursing duties in a timely manner.	Perform palpation functions of physical exam. Administer oral, intramuscular, subcutaneous, & intravenous medications. Insert and remove tubes and perform wound care management. Surgical assistance.
Physical Condition	Physical ability and stamina sufficient to restrain, lift, & assist in the care of a variety of species of animals. Ability to stand for extended periods of time.  Ability to withstand extreme weather conditions. Immune system competence.	Safely lift, position and restrain animals such as; dogs, cats, cattle and horses, and supplies for treatment.  Surgical assistance. Daily clinical routine, cleaning cages and feeding animals. Year round treatment and care of outdoor animals. Exposure to a wide range of chemical and biological agents.

**Application Form**Please print legibly and complete all portions

Name:			
(First)		(Last)	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Telephone: ( )	Email		
MCC Student ID#			

PREREQUISITE COURSE	Date Complete	Grade Earned	Institution
BIOL 106 General Zoology			
or			
BIOL 101 General Biology			
ENGL 101			
Composition and Reading I			
CHEM 105 Introductory Chemistry			
or			
CHEM 111 General College Chemistry I			
GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES			
ANHS 130 Veterinary Terminology			
HISTORY			
or			
POLITICAL SCIENCE			
COMM 100 Fundamentals of Speech			
or			
COMM 103 Interpersonal			
Communication			
BIOL 208 Microbiology			

Please answer the following questions:		Your response:
What is your overall college GPA?		
How many college credits have you earned?		
List all of the colleges/universities that you have attended	•	
College / University	Date you se	nt transcript to MCC
Please circle your response.		
I have previously applied to the MCC-Maple Wood Veterinary Technology Program.	ds	Yes / No
I have previously toured the MCC-Maple Woods Veterinary Technology Program.		Yes / No
I understand that I must have a current tetanus immunization to attend the program.		Yes / No
I understand that I must have a current rabies immunization to attend the program.		Yes / No
I have read the Performance Standards for the Veterinary Technology Program and realize that t standards must be met for successful entry, progand completion of the program.		Yes / No
I understand that the state may not issue me a li if I have a felony conviction.	cense	Yes / No

(Signature)

(Date)

## **Assessment of Current Enrollment**

Please print legibly and complete all portions

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Name:						
Student ID:						
COURSE	NUMBER	COLLEGE	GRADE	INSTRUCTOR	SIGNATURE	DATE

Note: If enrolled in online courses include a screen shot of the gradebook for each course.

### **Observation Evaluation**

Please print legibly and complete all portions

Applicants who are not employed in a veterinary facility must complete seven hours of clinical observation in a practice employing a credentialed veterinary technician.

Name of Applicant:		
Facility:		
Supervisor:		_
Date(s) of Observation:		_
Total Time of Observation:		
Did student arrive and depart according to schedule?	YES	NO
Comments:		
Did student dress appropriately?	YES	NO
Comments:		
Did student display interest in the clinical activities?	YES	NO
Comments:		
Did student ask appropriate questions?	YES	NO
Comments:		
Additional comments:		

Place in a signed, sealed envelope. Give envelope applicant to be included with application packet.

Applicant: if the envelope seal is broken the evaluation will be voided.



#### **Reference Form**

Please print legibly and complete all portions

The Admissions Committee needs your candid opinion of this applicant. Your evaluation of and impressions of their qualifications and fitness for the study of veterinary technology are important. **This form is confidential.** 

Name of Applicant:	
How long have you known the applicant?	
What is your association with the applicant?	
What are the applicant's strengths?	
What are the applicant's weaknesses?	
Please mark your recommendation of this applicant:	
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I <u>highly</u> recommend.	
I recommend.	
I <u>hesitate</u> to recommend.	
I do not recommend.	
I have not known the applicant long e	nough to give a recommendation.
Comments:	
Comments.	
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Evaluator's Signature	Evaluator's Printed Name & Credential
Evaluator's Title:	
Place in a signed, sealed envelope. Give envelope applica	nt to be included with application packet.
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What are the applicant's weaknesses?
Please mark your recommendation of this applicant:
I <u>highly</u> recommend.
I recommend.
I hesitate to recommend.
I do not recommend.
I have not known the applicant long enough to give a recommendation.
Comments:
Evaluator's Signature Evaluator's Printed Name & Credential
Evaluator's Title:
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