



**SOUTHERN REGIONAL**  
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

**Fall Semester 2023**

**VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY**

*Associate of Applied Science Degree*

**Thomasville Campus**

**COMPETITIVE  
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

**Accreditation**

The Veterinary Technology program is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA) as a program for educating veterinary technicians.

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## Associate of Applied Science Degree in VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY

For admission into the Veterinary Technology program – requirements as outlined by the College must be met.

### General admission requirements to SRTC:

1. Submit a SRTC Admission Application and \$25 one-time application fee.
2. Submit proof of age. (*Must be 18 years or older at the time of program entry.*) Either a valid state driver's license or birth certificate is acceptable.
3. Submit **official** transcripts for high school diploma/GED **AND** all colleges and/or technical colleges (transferable credit or not) to the SRTC Registrar's Office; Southern Regional Technical College; 800 Veterans Parkway North; Moultrie, Georgia 31788.
4. Submit acceptable Admission Placement Exam scores OR have successfully completed with a "C" or better transferable degree-level English and Math from a regional or national accredited college, university, or other postsecondary institution recognized by the US Department of Education at the time the coursework was completed. These courses must be equivalent to the entry-level English and math required for our Associate of Science in Nursing Program. Acceptable Admissions Placement Exams include: ACT, SAT, PSAT, ACCUPLACER (Classic and Next Generation), GED, Georgia Milestones, HISET, HOPE GPA, COMPASS and ASSET. A student possessing an associate's degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution will be exempt from the placement requirements.

### Competitive admission requirements into the Veterinary Technology AAS degree program:

1. The **highlighted** pre-requisite courses must have a 2.5 GPA and completed or transcripts received by **Tuesday, May 23, 2023**. *Other pre-requisite courses must be completed with a "C" or better by the end of the summer semester 2023.*

ENGL: 1101

MATH: 1100, 1103, 1111, or higher (must be within 5 years)

BIOL: 1111 and 1111L OR 2107 and 2107L (must be within 5 years)

CHEM: 1151 and 1151L OR CHEM 1211 and 1211L (must be within 5 years)

HUMN: ARTS 1101, ENGL 2110, ENGL 2130, HUMN 1101, MUSC 1101

Social Sciences: ECON 1101, 2105, or 2106; HIST 1111, 1112, 2111, or 2112;

POLS 1101; PSYC 1101, 2103, or 2250; SOCI 1101

COMP 1000

COLL 1500 – exempted with a completed associate's degree or higher

Exemption credit is not calculated. If a course is repeated - last grade attempt is used in the calculation.

*Rule: A student cannot have more than 1 unsuccessful attempt in the same course.*

An online GPA calculator: <http://back2college.com/gpa.htm>

2. **HESI Testing** - \$50

All Veterinary Technology applicants are required to take and attain the required scores on a Pre-Admission Assessment (HESI) exam prior to being accepted into the Vet Tech Program. Qualified applicants will be required to take the following sections: Math, Biology, Chemistry, and English (Vocabulary, Grammar, and Reading

Comprehension). Applicants are strongly encouraged not to take the HESI exam until completing Biology and Chemistry OR at least completing some of both courses.

Applicants will be allowed two attempts to make the required scores on each section. Any applicant that is unsuccessful on the first HESI exam (in any section) is strongly encouraged to remediate prior to retaking that section(s) of the exam. Several copies of the HESI Admission Assessment Exam Review, 5th Edition (ISBN# 9780323582261) are on reserve in all SRTC Libraries for student use. However, the HESI review book is also available for purchase online at [www.elsevier.com](http://www.elsevier.com).

Fall 2023 Exam Dates			Registration Deadline
April 20, 2023	Thursday	9:00 AM	April 13, 2023
May 23, 2023	Tuesday	9:00 AM	May 16, 2023

***\*Call the SRTC Admissions Office – Thomasville Campus to register for the exam (229-225-5060)***

Veterinary Technology HESI Exam Requirements - applicants must meet the qualifying scores in 3 of the 4 areas:

English	70
Math	65
Biology	60
Chemistry	60

Any applicant that does not meet the score requirements after two attempts will not be considered for admission into the Veterinary Technology Program. However, applicants may reapply to the Vet Tech Program and are allowed an additional two attempts at the Pre-Admission exam requirements after waiting one year.

**The HESI exam score is good for two years from the month and year of the exam.**

3. **FALL of 2023**, students entering in the VETT classes will also be required to have 60 hours of documented animal experience with a DVM or RVT prior to admission. Students are recommended to document 30 hours per semester while they are in their pre-requisites. Documentation paperwork may be received from any veterinary technology faculty and will be due to the faculty by the file completion date of **May 23, 2023**.

#### **Notification of acceptance**

Letters will be mailed on June 1, 2023 to notify students of their acceptance into the program contingent on their successful completion of the non-competitive pre-requisites by the end of summer semester. The number of available openings in the occupational courses varies based on the number of clinic slots in the program as a whole and may vary by campus and semester. Openings are filled from the highest GPA and HESI scores. Program accreditation sets a specific number of admission seats for the Veterinary Technology competitive admission program.

**Tiebreaker:** In the event of a tie in the ranking, the student's original college Vet Tech application date (with no break in enrollment) will be used.

Any student not admitted into the program may re-apply for the following year.

**NOTE:** Students will be required to complete and submit Health Examinations and a Criminal Background report upon acceptance to the occupational part of the program. Physical Examination forms will be distributed by the Program Chair at the mandatory Veterinary Technology Student Orientation. Students who have been accepted to the program will be

notified of the orientation. Failure to attend the orientation without prior approval from program faculty will result in forfeiture of seat.

### ***Special Vaccination Considerations***

#### **Rabies**

Rabies is a preventable viral disease of mammals most often transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. Rabies virus infects the central nervous system, causing encephalopathy, and ultimately death. Pre-exposure rabies vaccination is recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) for persons in high-risk groups, such as veterinarians, veterinary technicians, animal handlers, and laboratory workers.

Although pre-exposure vaccination does not eliminate the need for additional medical attention after a rabies exposure, it simplifies therapy by eliminating the need for human rabies immune globulin (HRIG) and decreasing the number of vaccine doses needed, and it minimizes adverse reactions to multiple doses of vaccine. It may enhance immunity in people whose post-exposure therapy might be delayed. **It may provide protection to people with unapparent exposure to rabies.**

Pre-exposure prophylaxis consists of three doses of rabies vaccine given on days 0, 7, and 21 or 28. The need for booster vaccines is variable from individual to individual and is based on the individual's level of estimated protection (titer). In endemic areas, all veterinary healthcare professionals should have their serum evaluated for rabies antibodies titers every other year as recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).

***All students enrolled in the Veterinary Technology Program are required to have proof of pre-exposure rabies vaccination and/or proof of a protective titer (where appropriate). Students must provide proof of rabies vaccination or a protective titer against rabies prior to enrolling in any class with the potential of exposure to rabies.***