Fall Semester 2027

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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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. Applications are available online through the college website by clicking APPLY located on the blue bar or using the https://southernregional.my.site.com/apply
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/Companion (Classic and Next Generation), GED, Georgia Milestones, HISET, High School 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.
5. Applicants are required to complete all highlighted prerequisite courses listed below by the May 27, 2027 deadline. Highlighted prerequisite courses must meet the 2.5 GPA requirement. If a prerequisite course has been taken twice, only the last attempt is counted for prerequisite GPA purposes. Grades of "D, F, and W" are considered unsuccessful attempts. Courses exempted or articulated do not carry GPA points.

Competitive admission requirements into the Veterinary Technology AAS degree program:

1. The **highlighted** prerequisite courses must have a 2.5 GPA and completed or transcripts received by **Thursday, May 27, 2027**. *All other prerequisite courses must be completed with a "C" or better by the end of the summer semester 2026.*

   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)
   BIOL: 1112 AND 1112L (OR CHEM 1151 and 1151L OR CHEM 1211 and 1211L) (must be within 5 years)
   HUMANITIES: 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 (College Success) – this course is only exempted with a completed associate's degree or higher

   An online GPA calculator: https://www.calculator.net/gpa-calculator.html

   NOTE: Any Biology course and lab, Chemistry course and lab and approved degree-level math course taken will not be considered if completed more than 5 years before admission to the Veterinary Technology program.

2. **HESI Exam**

All Veterinary Technology applicants are required to take and attain the required scores on an in-person 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 and English (Vocabulary, Grammar, and Reading Comprehension). Applicants are strongly encouraged not to take the HESI exam until completing Biology I and II OR at least completing Biology I and some of Biology II.

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, 6th Edition 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.

Fall 2027 Exam Dates			**Registration Deadline**
April 20, 2027	Tuesday	9:00 AM	April 13, 2027
May 27, 2027	Thursday	9:00 AM	May 20, 2027

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 the following areas:

English 70
Math 60
Biology 55

For applicants who do not achieve passing scores on all sections of the HESI examination, a combination of HESI score average and prerequisite GPA will be used to rank students and fill remaining seats. Applicants will first be ranked by their prerequisite gpa and then the total HESI score average using all sections.

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

3. Any applicant who believes he/she will have all the criteria met by the fall 2027 deadline of May 27, 2027, must contact Mrs. Wanda Hancock (whancock@southernregional.edu) by the deadline to make sure she has your name on the list of students wanting to be considered for the program.

4. All students entering in the VETT classes will also be required to have 60 hours of documented animal experience with a DVM or LVT prior to admission. Students are recommended to document 30 hours per semester while they are in their prerequisites. Documentation paperwork may be received from any veterinary technology faculty and will be due to the faculty by the file completion date of May 27, 2027.

Notification of acceptance
Emails and letters will be sent on Thursday, June 10, 2027 to notify students of their acceptance into the program contingent on their successful completion of the non-competitive prerequisites 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 for Risk Category 3 consists of two doses of rabies vaccine given on days 0 and 7, plus either a one-time titer check after 1 year and up to 3 years following the first 2-dose vaccination, **or** a 1-dose booster between 3 weeks and 3 years following the first vaccine in the 2-dose vaccination 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.

Additional information regarding student rabies vaccinations will be provided at the mandatory orientation session.