

# Veterinary Science

## Post-Secondary Opportunities Information

### POST-SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES

- Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credits provide a seamless pathway to an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Veterinary Technology
- Pima Medical Institute (PMI) Veterinary Technician Associate Degree
- ASU Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) Degree options

### COURSES AND CREDITS

**Mesa Community Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credits available at Northeast, Northwest and Southwest Campuses.**

**PLA credits are available to all students.**

- VET101 Introduction to Veterinary Technology (3 credits)
- VET101LL Animal Care Skills Laboratory (2 credits)
- VET103 Veterinary Assisting I (3 Credits)
- VET104 Veterinary Assisting II (3 credits)
- VET109 Veterinary Assisting Internship (1 credit)
- VET250AD Veterinary Technician Internship (0.5 credit)

Completion of the West-MEC Veterinary Science program and the NAVTA certification, will grant the 12.5 PLA credits above (at no cost) upon acceptance and enrollment into Veterinary Assisting CCL and/or Veterinary Technology AAS degree at Mesa Community College.

#### **Pima Medical Institute**

- College course credits include:
  - CAT 150 Anatomy, Physiology, and Terminology (3.5 credits)
  - CSK 100 Study Skills (1 credit)
  - CCB 100 Computer Basics (0.5 credits)
  - CMF 95 Math Fundamentals (1 credit)
  - CHS 100 CPR & First Aid (0.5 credits)
  - VTA 125 Comparative Veterinary Anatomy & Physiology (3 credits)
  - VTA 150 Animal Life Stages, Nutrition, and Husbandry (3 credits)
  - VTA 160 Animal Nursing and Diagnostic Imaging (3 credits)
  - VTA 110 Office Procedures (1 credit)
  - VTA 165 Pharmacology and Principles of Anesthesia (3 credits)
  - VTA 170 Aseptic Technique and Surgical Assisting (2.5 credits)
  - VTA 275 Externship (5 credits)
  - VTA 130 Clinical Lab Procedures and Pathology (3 credits)
- West-MEC Veterinary Science program graduates may be eligible to transfer credit for all courses in the PMI VTA program
- West-MEC graduates must attend 3 consecutive in-person skill review workshops to be held by PMI faculty. Each workshop will be 4 hours in length.

### COST REQUIREMENTS

#### **Mesa Community College**

- No cost for this PLA opportunity

#### **Pima Medical Institute**

- No cost for the articulated credits



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West-MEC 2023-24

### ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

#### Mesa Community College

- For more information, please visit: <https://www.mesacc.edu/programs/map/veterinary-technology-aas-22-23>
- In a post-secondary setting, students are responsible for learning the policies of the institution to ensure that credits transfer to fulfill specific degree requirements. Visit [www.aztransfer.com](http://www.aztransfer.com) for Arizona colleges and universities.

#### Pima Medical Institute

- Students who meet all PMI admission requirements, including a skills assessment, will be eligible for admission.
- For more information, please contact Pima Medical Institute College and Career Specialist Amanda Mariani, 623 232 2671, [amariani@pmi.edu](mailto:amariani@pmi.edu)

**Please see next page for the post-secondary option for transferring credits to Pima Medical Institute for the Veterinary Technician Associate Degree Program**



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# The Pathway to Success

West-MEC and Pima Medical Institute provide you with a pathway to college training and career advancement.



CAREER

**Pima Medical Institute**  
Associate Degree  
Veterinary Technician

Work as a Certified  
Veterinary Technician!

**West-MEC Program**  
Veterinary Sciences

- Expand healthcare experiences
- Fast-track to management roles
- Work in hospitals, clinical offices and more!
- Prepare for the VTNE

- Build foundation as Veterinary Assistant
- Hands-on training with college-level course work
- Develop leadership skills through CTSO

*Get Started Today!*

Contact your Pima Medical Institute  
Medical Career Specialist for more information:

**Amanda Mariani**  
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Or learn more:



## Transfer Guide

## West-MEC

### Pima Medical Institute

#### Veterinary Assistant Certificate Credits

##### Career Prep Sequence\*

	Semester Hours
CAT 150 Anatomy, Physiology, and Terminology	3.5
CSK 100 Study Skills	1
CCB 100 Computer Basics	.5
CMF 95 Math Fundamentals	1
CHS 100 CPR & First Aid	.5

\*Successful completion of CSK 100, CAT 150, CCB 100, CMF 95, and CHS 100 is required prior to externship.

##### Professional Sequence I

VTA 125 Comparative Veterinary Anatomy & Physiology	3
VTA 130 Clinical Lab Procedures and Pathology	3

##### Professional Sequence II

VTA 150 Animal Life States, Nutrition, and Husbandry	3
VTA 160 Animal Nursing and Diagnostic Imaging	3

##### Professional Sequence III

VTA 110 Office Procedures	1
VTA 165 Pharmacology and Principles of Anesthesia	3
VTA 170 Aseptic Technique and Surgical Assisting	2.5

##### Externship

VTA 275 Externship	5
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**Total Credits Required for Certificate: 30**

### West-MEC

West-MEC Veterinary Science program graduates may be eligible to transfer credits for all courses in the Pima Medical Veterinary Assistant program listed to the left.

West-MEC graduates must attend three consecutive in-person skill review workshops to be held by Pima Medical faculty. Each workshop will be four hours in length.

Students that meet all Pima Medical admission requirements, including a skills assessment, will be eligible for admission.

#### Evaluation Summary

Credits accepted from West-MEC Veterinary Sciences program:	30
Credits remaining to be completed from Pima Medical Institute for the Veterinary Technician program (approximately one year):	48.5

**Total credits required for Veterinary Technician Associate Degree: 78.5**