

# VETERINARY ASSISTING, COLLEGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE

**Program Code:** VACC

**Meta-Major:** HSCI

**Location(s):** Cocoa

**Delivery Method(s):** On-Campus, Hybrid

**Previous Degree Required:** HS Diploma

**Eligible for Financial Aid:** No

**Additional Limited Access Application Process Required:** Yes

**Program Testing Requirements:**

**Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code:** 01.8301

**Florida Department of Education CIP Code:** 0301830100

This is a one-year certificate program available as either a full-time offering or as part of the [Veterinary Nursing AS](#) program. The program aligns with National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America (NAVTA) recommendations for accreditation of Veterinary Assistant programs. Students will complete a task-oriented curriculum focused on skills required for assisting veterinary technicians and veterinarians in clinical practice and includes hands-on and clinical experiences under the guidance of veterinary and veterinary technician faculty.

Completion of the certificate program will serve as an acceleration mechanism for the [Veterinary Nursing AS](#) program at EFSC. Admission to both programs is limited. [Visit the program page for more details and how to apply](#) or call (321) 433-7575.

## Certificate Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Major Courses</b>		
ATE 1001	Introduction to Veterinary Technology	1
ATE 1601	Principles of Nutrition for Veterinary Technicians	1
ATE 1636	Large Animal Clinical and Nursing Skills	2
ATE 1742	Applied Veterinary Medical Terminology	1
ATE 1943	Veterinary Work Experience 1	1
ATE 1944	Veterinary Work Experience 2	1
ATEC 2050	Small Animal Behavior	2
ATEL 1311	Veterinary Office Procedures	3
ATEL 1650	Introduction to Exam Room and Clinical Procedures	1
ATEL 1652	Introduction to Anesthesia, Surgery, and Radiography	1
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>14</b>

## Learning Outcomes: Veterinary Assisting CCC

1. Use common veterinary management programs and other software for generating presentations, papers, practice management paperwork, and educational handouts.
  - *Supports Core Ability: Process Information*
2. Implement appropriate sanitation procedures for animal holding, working and housing areas.
  - *Supports Core Ability: Work Cooperatively*

3. Perform surgical preparation of a patient including clipping and scrubbing.

- *Supports Core Ability: Communicate Effectively*

## Course Sequence

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>Term 1</b>		
ATE 1636	Large Animal Clinical and Nursing Skills	2
ATE 1742	Applied Veterinary Medical Terminology	1
ATEL 1311	Veterinary Office Procedures	3
ATEL 1650	Introduction to Exam Room and Clinical Procedures	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Term 2</b>		
ATE 1001	Introduction to Veterinary Technology	1
ATE 1943	Veterinary Work Experience 1	1
ATEC 2050	Small Animal Behavior	2
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>4</b>
<b>Term 3</b>		
ATE 1601	Principles of Nutrition for Veterinary Technicians	1
ATE 1944	Veterinary Work Experience 2	1
ATEL 1652	Introduction to Anesthesia, Surgery, and Radiography	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>14</b>