

## Veterinary Technician (10-098-1)

Associate of Applied Science

**Effective 2026/2027**

*The course sequence shown on this sheet is the recommended path to completion. Courses will be scheduled in the terms indicated here. All courses should be taken in the order shown to help you stay on track and graduate according to your academic plan. Courses in this program may be offered in a variety or combination of formats (for example: in-person, video conferencing, online, etc.). More detailed scheduling information for this program can be found at <https://www.gtc.edu/veterinary-technician>. Please see your academic advisor for additional information.*

**E-D = Elkhorn/days, F=Fall, S=Spring, SU=Summer**

Term	Course Number	Credits	Course Title	Requisites (prereq- before/ coreq-with)	Notes	E-D
1	890-155	1	Gateway to Success (G2S)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students are required to take this course in their first semester of enrollment. Please see an advisor for details.</li> </ul>	F/S
1	806-105	4	Principles of Animal Biology	Prereq: 838-105; 851-757 OR 831-107	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faculty have identified this milestone course as providing a strong foundation for success throughout the program.</li> <li>Students must receive a "B" or better in 806-105 before they can enroll in this course.</li> </ul>	F/S
1	*098-123	2	Veterinary Medical Terminology	Prereq: Program Admission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faculty have identified this milestone course as providing a strong foundation for success throughout the program.</li> </ul>	F/S
2	*098-120	1	Animal Behavior	Prereq: Program Admission		S/SU
2	801-136	3	English Composition 1	Prereq: 831-103 OR 851-757	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory college placement results (through multiple measures or placement test scores) or successful remediation is required prior to enrollment. See an advisor for details.</li> </ul>	S/SU
2	806-197	4	Microbiology	Prereq: 806-105 OR 806-177 OR 806-196 OR 806-238	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is preferred that students in this program complete 806-105 as the prereq for this course.</li> <li>The prerequisite for 806-197 (806-105 OR 806-177) must have been completed with a "C" or better.</li> </ul>	S/SU
3	809-166	3	Ethics: Theory and Apps, Intro to	Prereq: 838-105 OR 851-757	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory college placement results (through multiple measures or placement test scores) or successful remediation is required prior to enrollment. See an advisor for details.</li> </ul>	SU/F
3	809-198	3	Psychology, Introduction to	Prereq: 838-105 OR 851-757	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory college placement results (through multiple measures or placement test scores) or successful remediation is required prior to enrollment. See an advisor for details.</li> </ul>	SU/F
3	801-196 OR 801-198	3	Oral/Interpersonal Communication OR Speech			SU/F
4	*098-101	3	Animal Care and Management	Prereq: Instructor Consent Coreq: 806-105; 091-120 OR 098-120	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faculty have identified this milestone course as providing a strong foundation for success throughout the program.</li> <li>Please note that your program may require additional fee(s) for: Criminal Background Check, Medical Document Manager, and/or Drug Testing.</li> </ul>	F/S
4	*098-102	3	Veterinary Business Practices	Coreq: 091-101 OR 098-101		F/S

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5	*098-103	4	Clinical Pathology I for Vet Sciences	Prereq: 091-101 OR 098-101; 091-102 OR 098-102; 806-105	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students must receive a "B" or better in 806-105 before they can enroll in this course.</li> </ul>	S/SU
5	*098-105	3	Surgical Procedures I for Vet Sciences	Coreq: 091-103 OR 098-103		S/SU
5	*098-107	3	Imaging for Veterinary Sciences	Coreq: 091-103 OR 098-103		S/SU
6	*098-104	4	Clinical Pathology II for Vet Sciences	Coreq: 091-108 OR 098-108; 806-197		SU/F
6	*098-108	3	Veterinary Pharmacology	Prereq: 834-109; Coreq: 091-110 OR 098-110	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satisfactory college placement results (through multiple measures or placement test scores) or successful remediation is required prior to enrollment. See an advisor for details.</li> </ul>	SU/F
6	*098-110	2	Clinical Skills I for Vet Science	Prereq: Instructor Consent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please note that your program may require additional fee(s) for: Criminal Background Check, Medical Document Manager, and/or Drug Testing.</li> </ul>	SU/F
7	*098-106	3	Surgical Procedures II for Vet Sciences	Prereq: 091-108 OR 098-108; 091-110 OR 098-110 Coreq: 091-113 OR 098-113		F/S
7	*098-113	3	Anesthesia for Veterinary Technicians	Prereq: 091-108 OR 098-108; 091-110 OR 098-110; Coreq: 091-106 OR 098-106		F/S
7	*098-124	3	Large Animal Care & Medicine	Prereq: 091-108 OR 098-108; 091-110 OR 098-110		F/S
8	*098-109	2	Lab Animals and Non-Traditional Pets	Prereq: 091-106 OR 098-106; 091-113 OR 098-113		S/SU
8	*098-114	4	Veterinary Tech. Clinical Internship	Prereq: 091-106 OR 098-106; 091-113 OR 098-113		S/SU
8	*098-125	2	Diseases of Domestic Animals	Prereq: 091-106 OR 098-106; 091-113 OR 098-113; 091-124 OR 098-124		S/SU
<b>Minimum Program Total Credits Required: NUMBER</b>						

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In this program, students learn veterinary technical skills such as how to care for and handle animals, provide medical and surgical nursing including anesthesiology and dental prophylaxis, and perform radiography and clinical laboratory procedures. Applicable federal, state, and local law and ethical guidelines are presented to students throughout the program. Students complete clinical work under the direction of certified veterinary technicians and veterinarians. Graduates will be eligible to take the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE) administered by the Veterinary Examining Board of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection. Certified Veterinary Technicians provide professional support to veterinarians in veterinary clinics and hospitals, biological research settings, animal control and humane organizations, zoos, and educational facilities.

### Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be able to:

- 1 Manage veterinary business functions.
- 2 Integrate all aspects of patient management for anesthetic, surgical, and medical nursing procedures.
- 3 Produce diagnostic radiographic images.
- 4 Perform laboratory procedures.
- 5 Administer prescribed drugs.

### Essential Career Competencies

Gateway's six essential career competencies are the general attitudes and skills promoted and assessed by all programs. All Gateway graduates will develop skills in:

- 1 Communication Competence
- 2 Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- 3 Professionalism and Career Management
- 4 Teamwork and Collaboration
- 5 Cultural Competence
- 6 Technology Competence

### Admission Requirements

- 1 Students must submit an application and pay \$30 fee.
- 2 Students must meet one of the following: minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.6 (unweighted); earned at least 12 college credits with a minimum GPA of 2.0; or complete valid reading, writing, and math placement assessments.

Gateway Technical College reserves the right to modify curriculum requirements for students who interrupt enrollment for one year or take over seven years to complete. Tuition and material fees are determined by the board of the Wisconsin Technical College System. Consult My Gateway for exact fee amounts. The District reserves the right to modify, cancel, or relocate course offerings in response to factors such as low enrollment, resource availability, or other relevant considerations to ensure high-quality educational experiences. Students will be notified in writing and are encouraged to meet with their Academic Advisor to adjust their academic plan.

- 3 This is a high demand program that utilizes a [priority placement](#) process for enrollment in core program courses. Students admitted into this program progress through three stages pre-core, core-ready and core-active as they work to complete their degree. Students are selected based on application date, completion of academic preparedness requirements and district residency. Academic preparedness requirements may include a Background Information Disclosure Form and Criminal Background Check and official high school, GED or HSED transcript including a graduation or passing date.

### Graduation Requirements

- 1 Minimum 66 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above.
- 2 \*Minimum of 2.0 ("C") or above for these major courses.
- 3 Complete 890-155 Gateway to Success (G2S) in the first semester.

For a complete list of Graduation Requirements, check the Student Handbook or [Graduation Requirements](#).

### Notes

- 1 Students must maintain minimum course grades of "C" or better for all courses marked with an (\*) to remain in the program.
- 2 A laptop computer, stethoscope, uniform, and other supplies will be needed.
- 3 Nearly daily exposure to latex and/or animal fur and dander will occur in this program. Those with sensitivities may find exposure impossible to avoid.
- 4 Immunocompromised individuals should consult their physician before enrollment.
- 5 Clinical sites are located throughout and potentially outside the district. Students are responsible for their own transportation.
- 6 Some clinical sites require TB testing and immunizations against tetanus and hepatitis B. Rabies immunization is required.
- 7 This program is full-time. Students should expect to be in class Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm.
- 8 Please note that your program may require additional fee(s) for: Criminal Background Check, Medical Document Manager, and/or Drug Testing.
- 9 Students admitted to the program must complete a volunteer shadowing experience in an approved clinical setting prior to registering for a Veterinary Technician course. Documentation requirements will be included in the program admission packet.

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