

**Articulation Agreement
Between
Steel Center for Career & Technology
Education and
Pierpont Community Technical College**

This agreement, made on this date of final signature, provides a means by which graduates of the Veterinary/Animal Health Technology/Technician and Veterinary Assistant (CIP: 01.8301) Program at Steel Center for Career and Technical Education (Steel Center) can receive credit in the Veterinary Technology Associate's of Applied Science (AAS) Degree program offered by Pierpont Community Technical College (Pierpont).

I. Principles of Agreement

- A. A student who has successfully mastered the competencies and skills outlined in the Veterinary/Animal Health Technology/Technician and Veterinary Assistant Program Course Outlines/Competency List (see Appendix A) will be eligible to receive the following college credit upon enrollment in the Veterinary Technology Associate of Science Degree program at Pierpont. The student must complete the Steel Center courses below with a B average (3.00 average GPA) or better in all courses, pass the NOCTI Exam with an 80% or above, and be recommended by the Steel Center teacher. Credits only, not grades, will be recorded on the Pierpont transcript for these courses, so these credits will not be used to calculate the student's university grade point average.

Steel Center for Career and Technical Education
Competency List (B average-3.00 GPA)

Pierpont Community Technical College

VETA 1110: Communication and Clinical Relations 2 cr.
VETA 1111: Communication and Clinical Relations Lab 1 cr.
HLCA 1100: Medical Terminology 3 cr.

- B. To participate in this program, a student must apply and be admitted to Pierpont within two years of completing the Steel Center Program. Steel Center students must submit a complete Pierpont admission application along with final high school and career technical education transcripts.
- C. Steel Center and Pierpont agree to market this program. Steel Center will promote and market the program to students, guidance counselors, teachers, and administrators in their sending schools. Student's parents will be informed about the availability of the program through appropriate channels. Pierpont will assist Steel Center in marketing the program at the secondary level. Steel Center will provide Pierpont with opportunities to promote and market their Veterinary Technology programs to Steel Center students, parents, guidance counselors, teachers, and administrators.
- D. Steel Center for Career and Technical Education or its Veterinary Assistant Program will maintain its specialized or regional accreditation status to validate the transfer of credits for prior learning.
- E. This articulation agreement and awarding of credit is acceptable up to two years after the student has graduated from Steel Center. Students who apply for credit after two years must be able to document that they have been employed or are currently working in an area related to their Steel Center program of study.
- F. Students entering Pierpont's Veterinary Technology program will meet with their assigned academic advisor in the program to assist the student in following the model schedule (see Appendix B) when registering for courses.

- G. Steel Center and Pierpont agree to notify each other immediately of any modification in the courses, curriculum, competency lists, or any aspect of the articulated programs during the term of this agreement.
- II. Mutual Terms and Conditions
- A. *Term of Agreement.* This agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date and shall, unless otherwise terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof, continue in effect for an indefinite term of years.
- B. *Termination of Agreement.* Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by providing the other party with ninety days' written notification in advance of the date upon which the party wishes the agreement to terminate and with the understanding the then-enrolled students may complete their clinical education program.
- C. *Assurance of Nondiscrimination.* Steel Center with regard to the activities performed by it during this Agreement, ensures that it does not discriminate based on race, sex, gender identity, pregnancy, sexual orientation, age, disability, veteran status, religion, color, or age in admission, employment, or educational programs and activities; nor does it discriminate based on genetic information in employment or employee health benefits. Faculty, staff, students, and applicants are protected from retaliation for making complaints or assisting in investigations of discrimination.
- D. *Modification of Agreement.* This Agreement shall only be modified in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.
- E. *Relationship of Parties.* The relationship between the parties to this Agreement to each other is that of independent contractors. The relationship of the parties to this contract to each other shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.
- F. *Liability.* Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities to each other. Therefore, Pierpont agrees that Steel Center will not be liable for the negligent or intentional acts of its students while Steel Center agrees that Pierpont will not be liable for the negligent or intentional acts of the agents or employee of Steel Center. Each party will be responsible for attorney fees and costs assessed by a course-competent jurisdiction.
- G. *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the parties. No other prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings or promises exist in regard to this relationship.

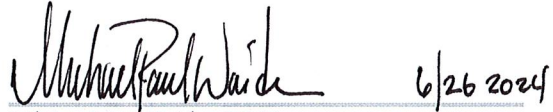
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date previously indicated.

For Steel Center for Career and Technical
Education:

Handwritten signature of Kevin E. Rice in blue ink, followed by the date 6/20/24.

Kevin E. Rice
Executive Director

For Pierpont Community Technical College

Handwritten signature of Michael P. Waide in blue ink, followed by the date 6/26/2024.

Michael P. Waide, Ed.D.
Provost and VP of Academic Affairs

Appendix A

Appendix B

Pierpont Community & Technical College VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM Model Schedule – proposed 2024

Fall First Year		
Course	Title	Credit
HLCA 1100	Medical Terminology	3
BIOY 1170	Anatomy & Physiology	3
BIOY 1171	Anatomy & Physiology Lab	1
VETT 1113	Introduction to Veterinary Technology	2
VETT 1115	Clinical Procedures I	2
VETT 1115L	Clinical Procedures I Lab	1
VETT 1130	Veterinary Parasitology	2
VETT 1130L	Veterinary Parasitology Lab	1
VETA 1110	Communication and Client Relations	2
VETA 1111	Communication and Client Relations Lab	1
	Total	18
Spring First Year		
Course	Title	Credit
ENGL 1104	Written English I	3
OFAD 1150	Computer Concepts & Applications	3
VETT 1116	Clinical Procedures II	4
VETT 1116L	Clinical Procedures II Lab	1
VETT 1117	Diagnostic Imaging	1
VETT 2210	Laboratory Animal Medicine	2
VETT 2222	Animal Diseases	4
	Total	18
Summer		
Course	Title	Credit
VETT 2271	Veterinary Preceptorship I	4
MTH 1207	Fundamental Concepts of Mathematics	3
	Total	7
Fall Second Year		
Course	Title	Credit
CHM 1101	General Chemistry	4
VETT 1122	Veterinary Pharmacology	3
VETT 2212	Large Animal Medicine	4
VETT 2217	Clinical Laboratory Procedures	4
VETT 2217L	Clinical Laboratory Procedures Lab	1
	Total	16
Spring Second Year		
Course	Title	Credit
ENGL 1108 or 1109	Advanced Written English or Technical Report Writing	3
VETT 1180	Exotic Animal Medicine	2
VETT 2272	Veterinary Preceptorship II	5
VETT 2273	Applied Clinical Experience	3
VETT 2995	Seminar for Veterinary Technicians (Capstone)	2
	Total	15
	Total Curriculum	74