



Trocaire College and Board of  
Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)  
Articulation Agreement

**Overview**

Under this agreement, Trocaire College will provide to qualified Erie2 Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Board of Cooperative Educational Services (herein forward referred to as E2CC-BOCES) students who successfully complete the Animal Science program the opportunity to receive advanced credit towards the Trocaire College's Veterinary Technician Program (A.A.S.).

Upon successful completion of the E2CC-BOCES Animal Science program with an 85% or greater, and have met the Veterinary Technician program admissions eligibility criteria, students will be eligible to sit for a VET100 challenge exam. Successful completion of this exam with a score of 73% or greater will result in the award of three (3) college level credits in the VT100 course. In addition, student who successfully complete the animal experience component of the E2CC-BOCES Animal Science program will be waived from the forty (40) hour animal experience required in the first semester of the Veterinary Technician degree program.

**Benefits**

- Establish a clear pathway for continued educational advancement – students know what they need from the beginning to the end to reach their educational goals
- A streamlined transfer process/credit transfer process
- Faculty benefit by knowing the students are prepared to handle the academic rigor of their program
- Expand educational opportunities for CTE students allowing them to earn postsecondary credits.
- Reduce continuing education costs; less time, less financial impact
- Eliminate unnecessary duplication of course materials and instruction.
- Maximize the use of resources for students to complete programs as efficiently as possible and earn Associate's degree.
- Support postsecondary enrollment, retention, and completion.

## **Veterinary Technician Program Admission Requirements:**

Trocaire College evaluates students based on academic metrics, experience, and personal attributes, which include:

- High School Diploma (minimum 75% average) or GED Diploma with a minimum score of 2500
- Official transcripts from high school and all colleges attended

### **Pre-entry Requirements**

- Final grade of 85 or higher in Biology or Chemistry (high school or college level)
- Must meet the minimal technical standards and physical requirements of the veterinary technology profession
- Must provide proof of rabies pre-exposure vaccination series and a current tetanus inoculation prior to beginning the program

## **Course/Content Articulation**

E2CC-BOCES students who have successfully completed the following unit topics:

Medical Terminology

Soft Skills

Veterinary Technician Profession

Veterinary Organizations / Regulatory Agencies

Human-Animal Bond

Patient Comfort / Euthanasia

Self Care / Compassion Fatigue / Burnout

Medical records, history, and the physical exam

FearFree

Immunity / Immunization

Dentistry

Dogs

Cats

Behavior, Handling, Restraint

Dog/Cat Breeds

Horses

Cattle

Goat

Sheep

Have mastered the Essential Skills that are contained in the course which are:

1. Recognize roles of appropriate regulatory agencies\*
2. Demonstrate an understanding of interpersonal skills and team dynamics\*

3. Understand and observe legal boundaries of veterinary health care team members\*
4. Cesarean Section all common species: Have knowledge of routine surgical procedures and related equipment.
5. Onychectomy dog, cat: Have knowledge of routine surgical procedures and related equipment.
6. Recognize common domestic animal species and breeds\*
7. Dystocias in common species: Have knowledge of routine surgical procedures and related equipment.

Have satisfied the VET100 Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Explain the Veterinary Technician's role in the profession by discussing the essential tasks outlined by the AVMA (CVTEA).
2. Provide a list of career opportunities available in Veterinary Hospitals, Zoos, Federal and State positions, public and private institutions, and other sectors.
3. Describe the state and federal regulations surrounding Animal Welfare and Veterinary Medicine, and identify the regulatory agencies involved.
4. Explain the different types of animal dentitions, dental anomalies, dental formulas, and numbering systems.
5. Recognize and interpret medical terminology.
6. Identify animals by their breed, color, and basic characteristics.
7. Demonstrate restraint and handling techniques for domestic animals through understanding their behavior.
8. Successfully complete the E2CC-BOCES Animal Science program with a passing final grade of 85% or greater
9. Meet the admission eligibility for the program
10. Evidence mastery with minimum passing grade of 73% or greater on the VET100 challenge exam.

Will receive concurrent/college credit for: VET100 – Introduction to Veterinary Technology

**TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
BOCES Animal Science to Trocaire Veterinary Technician A.A.S.  
Course Equivalency Crosswalk**

<b>E2CC BOCES Animal Management Program</b>	<b>Trocaire College Courses</b>	<b>Credits Awarded</b>
<b>Successful Completion of Learning Outcomes and VET100 Challenge Exam</b>	VET100	3 credits
<b>Animal Experience</b>	40 hour Animal Experience Waived	N/A



**General Provisions**

*Term and Termination of Agreement.* The term of the Agreement shall be effective September 1, 2024 and be in effect until either party wishes to terminate the Agreement by written notification signed by the appropriate official of the party initiating the termination. Such notification must be received by the other party at least six months prior to the effective termination date.

**Supersedes Prior Agreements.** This Agreement shall supersede and replace all prior agreements and understandings, oral or written, between Trocaire College and E2CC-BOCES Animal Science Programs.

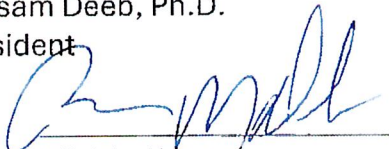
*Amendment of Agreement.* This Agreement may be amended at any time by the written agreement of both parties. Any amendments to this Agreement shall be in writing and approved in the same manner as was used to approve this Agreement.

*Indemnification*

- A. To the extent permitted by law, E2CC-BOCES, defend, and hold harmless Trocaire College, its agents and employees, from any claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of E2CC-BOCES, its agents or employees, in the performance of E2CC-BOCES' obligations under this agreement.
- B. To the extent permitted by law, Trocaire College shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless E2CC-BOCES, its agents and employees, from any claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of Trocaire College, its agents or employees, in the performance of Trocaire College obligations under this agreement.

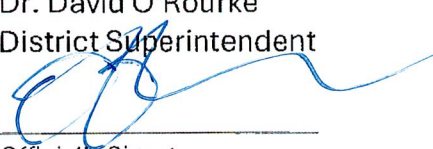
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have hereunto set their hands as of the day and year written below.

Trocaire College  
Bassam Deeb, Ph.D.  
President

By:   
Official's Signature

Date: 7/31/2024

E2CC-BOCES  
Dr. David O'Rourke  
District Superintendent

By:   
Official's Signature

Date: 8-23-2024