



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

Overview

Under this agreement, Trocaire College will provide to qualified Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services (herein forward referred to as E1-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 E1-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 E1-BOCES Animal Science program will be waived from the pre-entry requirement of the forty (40) hour animal experience.

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 85% average) or GED Diploma score of 175 or its equivalent
- High school-level biology with a corresponding lab with minimum course grade of 85% in both the lecture and the lab
- AP Chemistry exam grade of 3 (or higher) OR college-level chemistry with a minimum course grade of C. Corresponding lab is recommended but not required
- Official transcripts from high school and all colleges attended

Pre-entry Requirements

- 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
- Must complete 40 hours working with animals in a veterinary setting. A Work Experience Recommendation Form must be filled out by the candidate's veterinary supervisor

Course/Content Articulation

E1-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 E1-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.
11. Have completed a BOCES Animal Science record of hours and experiences in a veterinary facility.

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

E1 BOCES Animal Management Program	Trocaire College Courses	Credits Awarded
Successful Completion of Learning Outcomes and VET100 Challenge Exam	VET100	3 credits
Animal Experience	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 E1-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.

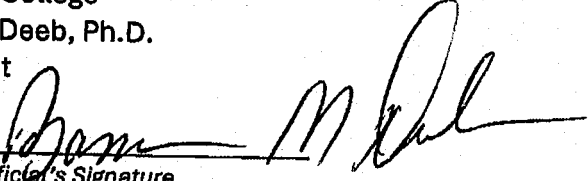
Indemnification

- A. To the extent permitted by law, E1-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 E1-BOCES, its agents or employees, in the performance of E1-BOCES' obligations under this agreement.
- B. To the extent permitted by law, Trocaire College shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless E1-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:

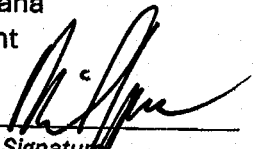

Official's Signature

Date:

9/7/2024

Erie 1 BOCES
Micheal Capuana
Superintendent

By:

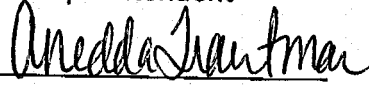

Official's Signature

Date:

9/23/22

Erie 1 BOCES
Aneeda Trautman
Assistant Superintendent

By:



Official's Signature

Date:

9/19/24

Erie 1 BOCES
Scott Bindemann
Director CTE

By:


Official's Signature

Date:

9/18/24