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Post-Secondary Opportunities Information

POST-SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES

- Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credits provide a seamless pathway to an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Veterinary Technology
- Pima Medical Institute (PMI) Veterinary Technician Associate Degree
- ASU Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) Degree options

COURSES AND CREDITS

Mesa Community Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credits are available at Northeast, Northwest, and Southwest Campuses.

PLA credits are available to all students.

- VET101 Introduction to Veterinary Technology (3 credits)
- VET101LL Animal Care Skills Laboratory (2 credits)
- VET103 Veterinary Assisting I (3 credits)
- VET104 Veterinary Assisting II (3 credits)
- VET109 Veterinary Assisting Internship (1 credit)
- VET250AD Veterinary Technician Internship (0.5 credit)

Completion of the West-MEC Veterinary Science program and the NAVTA certification will grant the 12.5 PLA credits above (at no cost) upon acceptance and enrollment into the Veterinary Assisting CCL and/or the Veterinary Technology AAS degree at Mesa Community College.

Pima Medical Institute

- West-MEC Veterinary Science program graduates may be eligible to transfer up to 9 credits for all courses in the PMI VTA program
- **Please see the attached pathway for complete details.**

COLLEGE TUITION INFORMATION

Mesa Community College

- No cost for this PLA opportunity

Pima Medical Institute

- No cost for the articulated credits

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Mesa Community College

- For more information, please visit: <https://www.mesacc.edu/programs/map/veterinary-technology-aas-22-23>
- In a post-secondary setting, students are responsible for learning the policies of the institution to ensure that credits transfer to fulfill specific degree requirements. Visit www.aztransfer.com for Arizona colleges and universities.



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Pima Medical Institute

- Students who meet all PMI admission requirements, including a skills assessment, will be eligible for admission.
- For more information, please contact Pima Medical Institute College and Career Specialist Amanda Mariani, 623 232 2671, amariani@pmi.edu



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Transfer Guide

West-MEC Veterinary Sciences (VTA) to transfer to Pima Medical Institute Veterinary Assistant program

This program plan outlines how students can transfer from the **West-MEC** Veterinary Sciences Program (VTA) to the **Pima Medical Institute** Veterinary Assistant program. Upon completion of the **West-MEC** program (Veterinary Assistant), the following credits will apply for students enrolling in the **Pima Medical Institute** Veterinary Assistant program.

Pima Medical Institute Credits	Semester Hours		
Career Prep Sequence			
CSK 100 Study Skills	1.0		
CCB 100 Computer Basics	0.5		
CMF 95 Math Fundamentals	1.0		
Professional Sequence I			
VTA 135 Sequence I Clinical Applications	1.5		
Professional Sequence II			
VTA 140 Office Procedures	1.0		
VTA 155 Animal Nursing and Radiography	1.0		
VTA 175 Sequence II Clinical Applications	1.5		
Professional Sequence III			
VTA 195 Sequence III Clinical Applications	1.5		
Total Credits Required for Certificate	29	Total Credits Accepted from Certificate	9

Evaluation Summary	
Credits Accepted from West-MEC	9
Credits from Pima Medical Institute	20
Total Credits Required for Veterinary Assistant program	29