## Estimated\* Cost Sheet for Veterinary Technology Program

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Cost Overview				
Tuition (\$166/hr x total credit hour per semester)  Academic (prerequisite coursework)  Veterinary Technology Program (VET)	\$3,154 (academic) +/- additional optional courses	<ul> <li>VET Semester I \$2,490</li> <li>VET Semester II \$2,490</li> <li>VET Semester III \$1,660</li> <li>VET Semester IV \$2,324</li> </ul>		
	\$8,964 (VET)			
	Total: \$12,118			
VET curriculum textbooks	~\$1,000	Cost for new textbooks and packets  VET Semester I \$600  VET Semester II  VET Semester III  VET Semester IV		
Materials/supplies	\$65 stethoscope \$10 scissors \$15 speed read thermometer \$10 marker, pens \$10 case log notebook \$30 iClicker \$15 lab coat \$20 surgical cap	Cost for items needed for laboratory and clinical sites (stethoscope, bandaging and suture scissors, thermometer, iClicker etc.)		
Uniforms, ID badge, watch with second hand and shoes	\$80 scrub set* \$20 watch \$75 shoes \$0 SUSCC ID badge  Total: \$175	Estimate for 1 uniform set (*minimum of 2 sets recommended).  Bookstore "vet tech kits" available for purchase at SUSCC \$160  Cost will vary based on selections.		
Software applications/ digital resources	~\$500	<ul> <li>Trajecsys (\$150 for 12-24 mo.)</li> <li>Vet Tech Prep (\$277 for 180 days)</li> <li>Other misc. electronic software/resources</li> </ul>		
Parking fees	\$10 SUSCC \$100 Auburn; Tuskegee Universities	<ul> <li>SUSCC parking permit</li> <li>+/- Clinical site parking permits</li> </ul>		

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Comprehensive testing	\$100	Electronic testing (HESI)
Criminal background checking and drug screening**	\$69.50	Required after acceptance but prior registration for VET courses
Randomized drug screening (\$5 per semester)	\$20	Required
Liability insurance (\$15 per semester)	\$60	Due at time of VET course registration
Health insurance (if not insured)	\$524	Annual cost. Personal health insurance accepted. Must provide proof of coverage.
<ul> <li>Health requirements (not provided by SUSCC):</li> <li>Physical examination (annually)</li> <li>Completion of essential functions form with health care provider signature</li> <li>Immunizations (Rabies pre-exposure vaccination; Tetanus vaccination)</li> </ul>	Pricing varies. Approximate cost \$1,000-2,000	Required after acceptance but before registration for VET coursework. Physical examinations and Tetanus immunization not available at SUSCC. Must be obtained from a physician's office or health care clinic. SUSCC will offer Rabies vaccination opportunities.
Certification courses (various opportunities offered during various semesters depending on course)	~\$500	<ul> <li>RECOVER BLS/CPR certification (required) \$100</li> <li>CAETA Euthanasia coursework (required) \$0-325</li> <li>Fear Free (required) \$0</li> <li>Cat Friendly Veterinary Professional (optional) \$39.50</li> <li>One Health Certificate (optional) varies</li> <li>Pet Nutrition Coach (optional) \$139</li> <li>Human Animal Bond (optional) \$139</li> </ul>
Board examinations (National and State level testing)	\$400 (VTNE) \$100 (AL) \$40 (professional photos) Total: \$540	Registration and testing fees for the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE) upon graduation from the VET program and pending program accreditation. State of AL examination fee separate from VTNE costs. The AL licensing board requires 2 photos for application. Photo opportunities will be offered at SUSCC.
Alabama licensure to practice fee	Included in initial AL state board exam testing above.	Initial license registration upon successful completion of national and state board examinations required to practice in the state of AL as a Veterinary Technician. AL

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	\$50 for Georgia licensure; \$20 annual renewal	license renewed on an annual basis (\$75).
Total fee estimation	\$13,777 (does not include pre-requisite academic coursework)	Does not include travel (gas/mileage etc) to and from class and clinical site locations (within ~75 mile radius from SUSCC Valley campus)

<sup>\*</sup>Note that these are estimated costs. Costs will vary depending on previous coursework completed, health insurance policy types etc. Pricing for immunizations, blood titers, physical examinations are estimated and will vary based on health care provider. Textbook and student resource material costs can be reduced by utilizing the campus bookstore or purchasing used items through other sources (online, previous students, rental services etc.) Costs may change at any time and without notice. It is the responsibility of the student to identify exact costs.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Students will receive an initial background during the application/admission process. Additional randomized drug screenings will be performed throughout the program coursework.

Additional comments: You are required to submit proof of current health insurance prior to enrollment in VET program coursework. Proof of completed vaccination series (Rabies Pre-exposure; Tetanus) is also required.