

Program Requirements

Rabies Vaccination

Rabies Vaccination Proof to be Submitted by August 1st

All students in the School of Veterinary Sciences require a rabies vaccination.

- **If you have been vaccinated more than two years ago**, or it's been more than two years since your last titre test, please submit an **updated** adequate rabies titre no later than August 1st.
- If it's been **less than two years** since your rabies vaccinations or last adequate titre test, please submit that proof to us **no later than August 1st**. Please refer to the rabies information sheet to see what information must be provided.
- For those who have not been vaccinated, it takes at least one month to complete this process. **It is recommended that you begin the process in the spring**. Email proof of your rabies vaccination to vetsciences@northern.on.ca no later than August 1st. See the [Rabies Information](#) sheet (attached) for more information, including what information should be available in the proof of vaccination that you submit.

Program Equipment List

You will need to purchase:

- (1) 1" Wide Nylon Dog Leash 5-6 Feet Long (Any Colour)
- (2) Sets of Scrubs or Uniforms (Any Colour) (Approx. \$60 - \$80 Each)
- Closed Toed, Closed Heeled Indoor Shoes
- Good Quality Stethoscope; Recommended is the 3m Littman® Classic Iii (Approx. \$130)
- (1) Pair Of Coveralls (Any Colour) (Approx. \$50)
- (1) Pair Of Steel-Toed Rubber Boots (Approx. \$50)
- (1) Digital Thermometer for Rectal, Oral and Axillary (Approx. \$15-\$20 each at local pharmacy)
- Wristwatch with Ability to Count Seconds (Preferably not a Smartwatch)
- Scientific Calculator

Note: Boots and coveralls are required for the third semester (2nd year).

Scrubs are available in the College Bookstore and in many retail stores. Stethoscopes are also available in the College Bookstore. You will need to use your stethoscope often therefore, make sure to purchase one of good quality.

Notes: The items listed above do not have to be new, but we reserve the right to inspect them to ensure they meet our safety standards.

Kennel Duty Requirements - Important

Kennel Duty is a required course for all Veterinary Sciences students. Please be aware that Kennel Duty is scheduled at 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. every day on your assigned days. Unfortunately, our local transit system begins its daily runs at 6:00 a.m. Therefore, if you do not live within walking distance of the college, you will not make it on time for your shift. It's imperative that you arrive on time for each Kennel Duty shift. Please ensure that you make the necessary arrangements when locating housing.

Laptop Requirements

Please note that Chromebooks and other Tablets are not sufficient devices to be able to perform all required tasks as a Northern College student. For full laptop requirements, please visit our [Technology](#) page.

Contact information

For general questions, contact Northern College's Admissions Office at 1.866.736.5877 or 705.235.7222. You can also email Admissions at admissions@northern.on.ca.

For additional program information, contact:

Haileybury Campus

Kellie Broderick

Program Assistant, School of Veterinary Sciences

705.672.3376 Ext. 8854

vetsciences@northern.on.ca

Our Veterinary Technician program is accredited by:



Rabies Vaccine Information

General Information

Cost: Approximately \$700.00

It is recommended that you make an appointment with your family physician or local health unit to obtain a prescription. It takes at least one month to complete this two or three-step process (depending on type of vaccine). **START EARLY (in the spring).**

PLEASE NOTE: If your doctor recommends two doses only, a [Physician's signature](#) is required at the bottom of the Rabies Vaccine Confirmation document.

Ensure the rabies vaccine you obtain is in a series and is a vaccine for **Pre-Exposure**. Post-exposure vaccines are not acceptable.

Two manufacturers make a vaccine for use in humans. One is called RabAvert made by Merck Frosst and the other is called Imovax made by Aventis Pasteur.

Proof of vaccination

Proof of vaccination must be emailed to vetsciences@northern.on.ca no later than August 1st.

Please have completed and return the attached Rabies Vaccine Confirmation form or submit an official letter from the Health Unit or doctor's office which includes **your name** and **the dates of administration of all doses**; this letter should also list which vaccine you've received. Failure to submit acceptable proof of vaccination will result in students not being permitted to attend animal handling classes.

Vaccinated more than 2 years ago

If you have been vaccinated for Rabies more than two years ago, you must provide an adequate rabies titre result. A titre means that your blood will be analyzed and the level of protection you have against rabies will be measured. **Please email titre results to vetsciences@northern.on.ca no later than August 1st.**

Vaccine backorder

Occasionally, the vaccine is on backorder. In this situation, students are to bring their prescription with them to Haileybury. Once the vaccine is available, students can make an appointment at our local Health Unit for administration of the vaccine. This is acceptable only if the rabies pre-exposure vaccine is on backorder.

Timiskaming/Northeastern Public Health Unit: (705) 647-4305 or 1-877-442-1212. Contact the New Liskeard office.



Program Physical Demands Analysis

In order to fulfill the requirements of the Veterinary Technician program at Northern College, students must be able to meet the physical demands associated with the profession. See the following chart for details. Due to the physical demands of the job, you should have the ability to lift and carry up to 25 kg, work in a physically demanding environment and stand for long periods of time. Your ability to lift a patient from the floor to tables while using good body mechanics will be important.

STRENGTH							
Physical Demands	WEIGHT		* FREQUENCY				
	Maximum (in lbs)	Usual (in lbs)	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Lifting	50	25	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Carrying	50	25	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Pushing	50	25	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Pulling	50	25	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Fine Finger Movements			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Handling			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Gripping			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Reaching (Above Shoulder)			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Reaching (Below Shoulder)			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Foot Action (1 Foot)			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Foot Action (2 Foot)			☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

MOBILITY					
Physical Demands	* FREQUENCY				
	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Throwing	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Sitting	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Standing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Walking	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Running	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Climbing	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Bending/Stooping	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Crouching	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Kneeling	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
Crawling	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Twisting	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
Balancing	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐

SENSORY / PERCEPTUAL					
Physical Demands	* FREQUENCY				
	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Hearing – Conversation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Hearing – Other Sounds	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Vision – Far	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Vision – Near	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Vision – Colour	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Vision – Depth	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Perception – Spatial	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Perception – Form	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Feeling	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Reading	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Writing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Speech	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

WORK ENVIRONMENT					
Physical Demands	* FREQUENCY				
	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Inside Work	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Outside Work	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Hot/Cold	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Humid/Dry	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Dust	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
Vapour Fumes	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
Noise	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Moving Objects	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Hazardous Machines	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Electrical	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Sharp Tools etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Radiant/Thermal Energy	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Slippery	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Congested Worksite	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
Comments:					
Students are required to walk dogs outside in various weather conditions					

CONDITIONS OF WORK					
Physical Demands	* FREQUENCY				
	Never	Seldom	Minor	Required	Major
Travelling	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Work Alone	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
Work Independently but in a group	☐	☐	☐	☒	☒
Deadline Pressures	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
Interact with Public	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Operate Equipment/ Machinery	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Comments					

Accessibility	
Wheelchair accessible	☐ yes ☒ no

- * Frequency:
- NeverNot performed.
- SeldomSeldom performed. Not daily.
- MinorMinor daily activity. Less than 1 hour
- RequiredFrequent repetition, for 1-3 hours daily
- MajorMajor job demand. Maximum ability required. Frequent repetition for more than 3 hours daily.

Patient Name		
Patient's Date of Birth		
Organization Administering Vaccines		
Organization Address		
Organization Telephone Number		
Vaccine Being Administered		
Date of 1 st Vaccine		Signature (of person administering vaccine)
		Printed Name
Date of 2 nd Vaccine		Signature (of person administering vaccine)
		Printed Name
Date of 3 rd Vaccine		Signature (of person administering vaccine)
		Printed Name

Instructions to Students: All students in the School of Veterinary Sciences require a rabies vaccination.

(For full information, see Rabies Vaccine Information within the [Program Specific Information and Forms.](#))

It takes at least one month to complete this process. It is recommended that you begin the process in the spring.

Email proof of your rabies vaccination to vetsciences@northern.on.ca no later than August 1st.

Doctors: If you are recommending two doses of the vaccine only, and you feel that the student is fully vaccinated and protected from the rabies virus with two doses of the vaccine, please sign here.
