

Certified Veterinary Technician

Associated Industries: Health Science | Human Services | Life, Physical, and Social Science (STEM)

Description and Labor Market Information

The Certified Veterinary Technician certification provides education and training to support veterinarians in surgical assisting, laboratory procedures, radiography, anesthesia, prescribed treatment and nursing, and client education.

This credential was associated with 6 occupations that were identified as well-paying and in demand. Overall, those occupations represent 5,115 positions with 474 annual openings within the state and median hourly earnings of \$20.83.

Sample Occupations

Veterinary Technologists and Technicians

Median Hourly Earnings: \$17.23
 Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: Associate's degree
 Total Positions: 472
 Annual Job Openings: 48

Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians

Median Hourly Earnings: \$27.69
 Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: Bachelor's degree
 Total Positions: 1,487
 Annual Job Openings: 117

Pharmacy Technicians

Median Hourly Earnings: \$18.46
 Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: High school diploma or equivalent
 Total Positions: 1,868
 Annual Job Openings: 161

Certifying Entity Information

American Association of of Veterinary State Boards, Hawai'i Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Website: cca.Hawaii.gov

Phone: (816) 931-1504

Local Availability:

PSI Testing Center

Exam Details

Age Requirement: N/A

Coursework/Hours to Complete: Post-secondary program completion

Length of Certification Validity: 2 years

Exam Cost: \$330

Exam Time: 3 hours

Number of Questions: 170

Pass Rate: N/A

PROMISING CREDENTIALS IN HAWAII

This project has been a joint effort between Kamehameha Schools, the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, University of Hawaii P-20, and the Harold K.L. Castle Foundation.

Students in Hawaii can earn hundreds of industry-recognized credentials right now. Thousands of students are investing time and resources to achieve these credentials with the hope they will lead to a career that enables them to live and thrive in Hawaii. But how effective are these programs at preparing Hawaii students for future careers and long-term success?

Promising Credentials in Hawaii, a first-of-its-kind analysis for our state, looks at whether the credentials students can earn actually matter in the real world to local employers.

Through intensive labor market analysis and outreach to local Hawaii businesses, this project has identified **137 Promising Credentials** that are associated with in-demand, living wage occupations throughout the state. The process began with identifying **274 Promising Occupations** that met wage and demand thresholds. A list of corresponding credentials for the 274 occupations was then compiled using job postings data. Finally, Hawaii employers from across the state completed surveys and participated in focus groups to narrow the list of nearly 2,000 credentials down to the 137 credentials they say matter most when making hiring and promotion decisions.

The resulting Promising Credentials were identified as relevant in hiring and promotional decisions for multiple in demand and well-paying occupations within the state. A detailed one-page summary of each of these Promising Credentials has been organized for student, school, and community use.

The comprehensive report and associated data can be found at www.HawaiiCareerPathways.org.