

# JOB OPTIONS FOR VETERINARIANS WITHOUT A U.S. VETERINARY LICENSE

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# **Introduction**

This guide is intended to provide some job options that internationally trained veterinary job seekers may find meaningful as alternative occupations to veterinarians, while working through the veterinary licensing process. This guide provides a list of job titles that you might be interested in and eligible to apply for without a U.S. veterinarian license given your background and education in veterinary.

The relicensing process can take years to complete. Taking an alternative job within the healthcare field while you work towards relicensing can help you in a variety of ways, including:

- There is a potential for employers to invest in you while you are working for them and trying to relicense. This could mean employers paying for tuition and fees associated with the ECFVG or PAVE Veterinarian Certification Programs set out in detail in the licensing guide.
- The ability to utilize co-workers and colleagues knowledge about the licensing process.
- The ability to learn the U.S. veterinarian work culture and system in a lower-pressure environment.

## Potential Job Options without a U.S. Veterinary License

This list will give you some ideas about job titles that do not require a U.S. veterinary license, but could draw on your veterinary knowledge, experience and expertise. These positions may or may not be open at the time of your job search, so it is important to job search regularly and often. Global Talent Idaho recommends actively searching for open positions, at a minimum, of at least every 3 days.

# **List of Job Positions Related to Veterinarian Education and Background**

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- Animal Attendant/Kennel Worker
- Animal Behaviorist/Animal Trainer
- Animal Breeder assistant
- Animal Caretaker II
- Animal Control Worker
- Animal Cruelty Investigator
- Animal Shelter Worker
- Apiarist
- Aquarist
- Biological technician
- Bovine [cattle] breeding technician
- C Laboratory animal caretaker
- Conservation and forest worker
- Conservation Officer
- Equine Product Sales Representative
- Farm, ranch and other agricultural manager
- Farmers, Ranchers, and Other Agricultural Managers
- Government work with agencies i.e. Fish & Game
- Groomer
- Habitat Specialist
- Horse Groom
- Ichthyologist

- Laboratory Animal Caretaker I
- Laboratory Animal Caretaker Laboratory
- Livestock Feed Sales Representative
- Park Naturalist
- Pet Food Sales Representative
- Pet Product Sales Manager
- Pet Product Sales Representative
- Pet Store Manager
- Sales representative for pet products or farm animal products including medical equipment and products
- Therapist
- Veterinary Assistant
- Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers
- Veterinary Pharmaceutical Sales Representative
- Wildlife Rehabilitator
- Wildlife Rehabilitator
- Zoo and wildlife technician or maintenance worker
- Zookeeper
- Zoologist

## **Certified Veterinary Technologist and Technician**

This job require an associate degree, with the option to take more credits to reach a bachelor degree. The job wage is higher and the competition for the position is lower than jobs that require no degree. Below is a list of different Vet Tech job options:

- Clinical Pathology Vet Tech
- Clinical Practice Vet Tech
- Equine Vet Tech
- Small Animal Veterinary Technician
- Veterinary Surgical Tech
- Artificial Insemination Technician
- Equine Veterinary Technician

- Equine Dental Technician
- Wildlife Technician
- Zoo Veterinary Technician

### Schools in Idaho who provide this degree:

<u>Brigham Young University</u>, in Rexburg, Idaho has a 2 year degree program for this area of study.

College of Southern Idaho, in Twin Falls, Idaho has a 2 year degree program.

# **Local and National Associations in this Area**:

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https://bovm.idaho.gov/law/associations.html: Includes information for Veterinarians and Veterinarian Technicians in Idaho

http://isvta.org/: For zoo technicians in Idaho

http://isvta.org/: Idaho Society of Veterinary Technicians and Assistants

https://www.ivma.org/site/: Idaho Veterinary Medical Association

http://www.idahofb.org/index.php?action=membership.home: For farm, ranch and livestock focused occupations in Idaho

http://www.vcnnetwork.org/: Veterinary Career Network

https://www.ihireveterinary.com/: For Job Seekers and Employers

<u>http://careers.navta.net/</u>: National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America

http://www.vettechlife.com/: Vet Tech Life, an online journal for veterinary technicians

# Note:

For more information about Veterinarian-related jobs and descriptions visit:

https://www.thebalance.com/animal-career-list-125603