



SUNY Jefferson Zoo Technology Program Application for Admission



The State University of New York, Jefferson Community College's (JCC) Zoo Technology Program requires all applicants to complete the following application process. Please refer to the college's website, www.sunyjefferson.edu, or catalog for complete information concerning policies; or contact the JCC Admissions office at 315-786-2277.

ZOO TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION PROCESS

Before Application: All applicants should visit www.zookeeping.com and complete the online informational survey.

****Note:** Current JCC students can begin with Part 2.

Part 1:

- **New students** must submit a completed JCC College Application, (available on the JCC website www.sunyjefferson.edu), provide an official high school transcript, GED test scores and/or college transcripts. Please forward official transcripts directly to:
SUNY Jefferson Admissions Office
1220 Coffeen St.
Watertown, NY 13601
315-786-2277
- **Returning students** must call the admissions office to determine status of current matriculation.
- **New and returning student documents** will be reviewed to determine if college placement (CPT) testing is required. Transfer students may be exempt based on previous credit. A minimum level of math and English (MTH 098 & ENG 100 with no remedial reading coursework at Jefferson) is required for Zoo Technology.
- Pending review of the Zoo Technology Application (Part 2), applicants will be admitted into one of the College's open admission degree programs (usually the Math/Science program with a Science concentration)

**** All documentation and placement testing must be on file with the Admissions Department before Zoo Technology Supplemental Applications (Part 2) can be reviewed.**

Part 2:

- Complete the following **Zoo Technology Supplemental Application** using pen and submit it to the SUNY Jefferson Science Division Office:

SUNY Jefferson Math Science Division Office
c/o Science Division Secretary
1220 Coffeen St.
Watertown, NY 13601
315-786-2320

- Eligible applicants will be informed in writing of the decision (expect 3 weeks) and directed to register for classes. If you have not heard from us after completing both parts 1 & 2, please feel free to contact us.

SUNY Jefferson Zoo Technology Program Supplemental Application

General Information: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ Jefferson ID J _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State & Zip: _____

1. Please note that Zoo Technology coursework **begins in the Fall** and must be followed in sequence. **Applications can be submitted at any time.** Space is limited.

2. Please answer the following by checking the appropriate blank. Are you:
 - a) A new student to Jefferson? (i.e., 1st time taking classes here)** Yes___ No___
 - b) Currently enrolled at Jefferson? Yes___ No___
 - c) A student who previously enrolled in a degree program at Jefferson, took some time off and is now coming back? Yes___ No___
 - d) Applying to re-join the Zoo Technology Program? Yes___ No___

***If you answered yes to a), you must submit a College application to the admissions office. Please complete the Jefferson Community College application, available on our website or paper copy, and submit required high school and college transcripts.*

3. Are you likely interested in living in Jefferson's residence halls? Yes___ No___

Professional Background: Applicants are not required to have experience working with animals; however it would be beneficial since applicants should understand the requirements of the Zoo Technology program, and careers working with zoo animals.

4. Have you reviewed web information about the JCC Zoo Technology Program and zoo careers (www.sunyjefferson.edu and www.zookeeping.com)? Yes___ No___

5. Have you cared for animals before? Yes___ No___

If yes, what types of animals do you have experience working with?

6. Have you worked or volunteered at a zoo in any capacity before? Yes___ No___

Name of Zoo? _____ Was it AZA accredited? Yes___ No___

7. Do you have experience with public speaking and / or customer relations? Yes____ No____

If yes, please describe your experience:

Academic Preparation:

8. In evaluating applications for the Zoo Technology Program at SUNY Jefferson, academic background will be considered. Please let us know if you have completed any college coursework (particularly in biology, algebra, or English) and where the courses were taken.

Please note: Transcripts and Computer Placement Testing (CPT, when necessary) will be used by the review committee in addition to this question.

9. What degrees or certifications have you previously received (if applicable):

If yes, from which institution(s):

10. Provide a **ONE PAGE ESSAY** explaining why you would like to pursue a zoo-focused career. The essay should be well written (spelling and grammar), but most importantly we would like to know that you have researched this very unique career choice and that the decision is based on more than "I love animals". Zoo animal keeping is very different from other animal jobs and it is not right for everyone. Please tell us why you've chosen this special path!

11. Please include any additional supplemental material that will strengthen your application and illustrate your interest, abilities, or experience. For example, a **resume** and/or **letters of recommendation** (especially from animal care professionals) will help.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

For Official Use Only:

CPT REA _____ ENG _____ MTH _____