



# COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

The Ohio State University is located in Columbus, a city with a sense of history and a friendly atmosphere. The city offers fine arts, restaurants, sports, architecture, nature, community festivals, places of worship, and other opportunities for a full personal life. The College of Veterinary Medicine is part of the Health Sciences Group, the most comprehensive health science group in the nation.

**CURRICULUM:** The College offers a 13-quarter, four-year program. Quarters 1 and 2 emphasize the basic sciences. Quarters 3-6 emphasize organ systems, teaching normal and abnormal structure and function. Quarters 7 and 8 emphasize fundamental surgical and medical skills. These quarters also offer time for concentrated elective experiences. Quarters 9-13 are applied clinical rotations, including a required elective quarter for either resident or off-campus experiences.

**ADMISSIONS PROCESS:** All applicants must apply through VMCAS and complete an online supplemental application no later than October 1. Official transcripts should be sent to the Office of Professional Admissions by October 1. Admissions decisions are arrived at by using a formula-based process that evaluates applicants on academic performance factors and non-academic factors including an interview.

After careful review, the most highly qualified applicants may be invited for interviews. Additionally, should the applicant have any courses outstanding at the time of application, official transcripts for these courses must be submitted within three weeks of course completion. **For a transcript to be considered official, it must be sent directly from the issuing institution to the Office of Professional Admissions.**

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION:** Applicants who complete a VMCAS application will be invited via e-mail to complete a supplemental application. The supplemental application must be completed within ten calendar days of receiving the e-mail. Applicants will be required to pay an online application fee of \$40 for U.S. citizens and \$50 for international applicants. All fees are subject to change. Applicants who complete a supplemental application must submit the following:

- **Three references of which two (2) must be completed by veterinarians.** References completed by the applicant's family will not be considered.

**There is no need to resend reference forms that are sent through VMCAS.** However, if only **one veterinarian reference** was sent through VMCAS, applicants should submit a second veterinary reference to Student Affairs by October 1. Additional references forms can be found at **<http://professional.osu.edu/vetmed.asp>** and will be available online June 1. **Please keep in mind we only need a total of three references; this total includes references sent through VMCAS.**

- Submit one (1) Veterinary Experience Verification form by October 1. This form must be completed by one (1) veterinarian with whom they have accumulated a minimum of 80 hours of veterinary experience. This form is located at **<http://professional.osu.edu/vetmed.asp>** and will be available online June 1.
- Submit all official transcripts to the Office of Professional Admissions by October 1.

## **DEADLINES:**

- The VMCAS applications deadline is October 1.
- All admissions materials including official transcripts, letter of recommendations, and experience form should be received by October 1.
- The last day to take the General GRE or MCAT is September 30. The applicant must request ETS to send official GRE scores directly to our office as soon as the test is taken. **Official test scores must be received by November 1.**
- Acceptance of an offer of admission is due no later than April 15.

**CLASSES BEGIN:** Mid-September

**SIZE OF ENTERING CLASS:** 140

**ADMISSION DEPOSIT:** A non-refundable \$25 acceptance fee is required for all admitted Ohio applicants to hold a seat in the class. A \$300 tuition deposit is required of admitted non-resident applicants to hold a position in the class.

**TUITION AND FEES:** 2008-2009: \$23, 252 resident; \$56, 800 non-resident per year (subject to change).

**ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Ohio applicants with a GPA of 3.0 or higher receive preferential consideration. Ohio applicants with a GPA <2.8 will not be considered. Non-resident candidates with a GPA of 3.4 or higher receive preferential consideration. Applications from non-residents with a GPA <3.0 will not be considered. The cumulative point-hour ratio used will be the one in effect at the October 1 deadline and will reflect the GPA from all college courses taken.

Applicants must take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE®) or the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT®) no later than September 30, but within 5 years of application.

**The applicant must have ETS send official GRE scores directly to OSU College of Veterinary Medicine as soon as the test is taken.** Qualified applicants must have a minimum GRE score of 1000.

**GRE Code: 1592**

**Department Code: 0617**

**Please make sure to include the Department Code**

Applicants who take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT®) must fax or e-mail a verification code along with their name to (614) 292-6989 or [students@cvm.osu.edu](mailto:students@cvm.osu.edu). Qualified applicants must have a minimum MCAT score of 24.

Applicants must complete the required pre-professional medical courses listed at a fully accredited college or university with a grade of C or better by the end of the fall term of the application year in order to be interviewed. (We will accept one prerequisite course to be completed in Winter Quarter/ Spring Semester.)

Science courses must have been completed within the ten-year period immediately preceding the application. Hours listed under pre-professional course requirements are quarter hours. Course equivalency is determined by content, not credit hours.

If you have any concerns regarding course equivalency – please contact **OSU Professional Admissions at [professional@osu.edu](mailto:professional@osu.edu)**.

## **PRE-PROFESSIONAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

English composition	5
General chemistry (with labs)	15
Organic chemistry (no lab)	6
Biochemistry*	5
General biology (with labs)	10
Genetics**	5
Microbiology (with lab)***	5
Physics (with lab)	10
Math (algebra and trigonometry)	5
Humanities and social sciences	20
Electives (student's choice)	10
<b>Total quarter credit hours</b>	<b>96</b>

\*If Biochemistry is taught as a two-course sequence, both courses must be taken.

\*\* General genetics including Mendelian (transmission) genetics and molecular genetics required.

\*\*\* Must include introduction to virology & immunology.

### **ADDRESS TRANSCRIPTS TO:**

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### **OTHER CORRESPONDENCE TO:**

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