

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Cornell is located in Ithaca, New York, a city of about 30,000 in the Finger Lakes region of upstate New York. Ithaca is one hour by air and a four-hour drive from New York City. The university's 740-acre campus is bounded on two sides by gorges and waterfalls. The tradition of academic excellence, the cultural vigor of a distinguished university, and the magnificent setting create a stimulating environment for graduate study. The college has extensive modern clinical, teaching and research facilities in one central location, believed to be the largest and most modern veterinary facilities in the world.

CURRICULUM: Cornell does not teach a traditional, lecture-based program. Our innovative problem-based curriculum features Interdisciplinary courses taught using a variety of formats. These include: small-and large-group exercises, some lectures, Laboratories, and extensive discussions on actual cases. Courses scheduled during the first three semesters are taught using the tutorial method, in which groups of 6 or 7 students work with a faculty tutor to explore clinical cases. Please visit our web site to learn more about our unique case-based program.

ADMISSION PROCESS: NY Applicants must apply directly at the Cornell web site, not through VMCAS. Others have the option of applying directly. All VMCAS/Cornell applicants must self-initiate the Cornell Supplemental Application on-line by November 15 and pay a fee. (It is less expensive to apply directly to Cornell.) Since your VMCAS data arrives later, Cornell cannot remind you to self-initiate your Supplemental. Detailed instructions are available on-line. Please review them early in the admissions process. Many documents can take several weeks for you to obtain. Cornell's on-line forms are available at our web site until November 15. Direct applicants must gather all supporting documents and mail them with the Cornell application. Applicants applying through VMCAS must send transcripts directly to Cornell; evaluations should be sent to VMCAS. Completed applications are reviewed by the Admissions Committee; without an interview. Admissions decisions are made in January/February. Admitted applicants are invited to attend information sessions, which are held in February/March. Application procedure updates are available in our Free Pre-Vet Newsletter. Request one at www.vet.cornell.edu/admissions/inquiry.htm.

SIZE OF ENTERING CLASS: 86

DEADLINE DATE: The VMCAS application must be post-marked by October 1. Supplemental application must be postmarked by November 15.

CLASSES BEGIN: mid August

SUPPLEMENTAL PROCESSING FEE: \$40 if post-marked by October 5; \$65 if postmarked between

October 5 and November 15. Do not send to VMCAS. (Direct Cornell application without VMCAS form \$75.)

ADMISSION DEPOSIT: A deposit of \$500 due April 15 is required to hold a position in the class.

TUITION AND FEES: 2003-2004 \$19,100 resident and contract state residents; \$27,000 non-resident (these figures will change for 2004-2005)

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS: Approximately 52 positions are reserved for New York residents. Cornell has contracts with New Hampshire and New Jersey. We admit about 34 out-of-state students. All scores from the GRE[®] General Test or MCAT[®] must be self-reported on your Cornell application by November 15. Test scores older than five years will not be accepted. All but twelve credits of the prerequisite course work must be completed with one semester of any incomplete two-semester series in progress at the time of application. Applicants should visit our web site for further information. Prerequisite courses for entrance into the college must include a letter grade of C- or better. Advanced Placement credit will not be accepted except for Physics and General Chemistry. Substitutions may be approved if you complete our "Pre-Requisite Substitutions Form" by September 1, available at our web site.

General chemistry with laboratory (full year)	6
Organic chemistry with laboratory (full year)	6
Biology or zoology with laboratory (full year)	6
Microbiology with laboratory	3
Biochemistry (full year preferred)	4
Physics with laboratory (full year)	6
English composition* (full year)	6
Other credits (minimum needed to add to 90 credits)	53
Total semester credits	90

* Three credits may be satisfied by a course in public speaking.

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