

School Evaluation Requirement Chart

(As of 02/26/2013)

When no specifications are given for written evaluations please revert to VMCAS guidelines. These guidelines can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

US Schools	Written Evaluations (References)			Additional Requirements/ Information
	Number	Type	From Whom	
Auburn University	3	Electronic	One from a Veterinarian, One from an Employer (who might be a 2nd Veterinarian), One from an Academician (major Professor or Advisor)	-
University of California - Davis	3	Electronic	You should select recommenders who know you well enough to provide meaningful comments. At least one letter of recommendation must be from a veterinarian with whom you have had significant contact. Applications without at least one letter from a veterinarian will not be reviewed. Other letters may be written from veterinarians, professors, college instructors, research supervisors, or academic advisors.	In addition to the letters of evaluation submitted as part of the VMCAS application – three web-based ETS Personal Potential Index (PPI) letters are required (https://www.ets.org/ppi). VMCAS letters cannot be used in lieu of PPI letters, even if they are from the same evaluator, but any of the three VMCAS evaluators can also submit a PPI letter. No more than three PPI letters will be accepted.
Colorado State	3	Electronic	CSU suggests that one should be from a Veterinarian, one should be from a professor, and one should be from an employer.	Three completed <i>electronic</i> Letters of Reference (e-LORs). If you submit more than three e-LORs to VMCAS, CSU will view only three by matching to the three names listed on the Colorado Supplemental Application. In fairness to all applicants, the Admission Committee will review no more than three evaluations. CSU accepts only VMCAS-submitted electronic LOR's.

Cornell University	3+	Electronic	<p>From whom: Evaluations from animal / veterinary / biomedical research experiences listed on the Cornell Supplemental Application (at least one letter from a veterinarian) and one academic evaluation. These evaluations can come through the VMCAS eLOR system. "Guidelines for Evaluators" can be found on Cornell's website at:</p> <p>http://www.vet.cornell.edu/admissions/CAEvaluations.cfm</p>	<p>VMCAS will accept up to 6 evaluations (minimum of 3). Any evaluations you do not include with your VMCAS application can be submitted through Cornell's electronic evaluation system. There is no need to duplicate evaluations sent through VMCAS.</p> <p>http://www.vet.cornell.edu/admissions/docs/GuidelinesforEvaluatorsNew.pdf</p>
University of Florida	3	Electronic	<p>Applicants are suggested to have two veterinarian evaluations and one evaluation from an academic advisor or personal reference.</p>	-
University of Georgia	3	Electronic	<p>At least one evaluation should be from a veterinarian. Evaluations can also be made by a professor, advisor, employer, or anyone else who can give a fair assessment of your background and your potential for entering the veterinary profession.</p>	-
University of Illinois - Urbana	3-5	Electronic	<p>Letters should be written by individuals who can evaluate the applicant's experience and ability relating to professional and scientific study. One letter should be from a college instructor or academic adviser. One letter should be from a veterinarian familiar with the student's potential and motivation. The third letter may be from a second veterinarian or academician or from an individual who can objectively evaluate your potential and motivation. Letters from high school teachers or principals are discouraged, and letters from relatives or your family's close friends are not acceptable.</p>	<p>No more than 5 letters of recommendation will be accepted and no less than 3. Additional letters sent to the College of Veterinary Medicine are not distributed to members of the Admissions Advisory Committee and play no role in the evaluation process. All letters must be submitted with the VMCAS application.</p>

Iowa State University	3-6	Electronic	The applicant is strongly encouraged to have at least one of these recommendations from a veterinarian. Other suggested evaluators include academic advisors or professors and employers. The evaluator should know the applicant well and be able to speak to their personal characteristics and attributes. It is preferred that the evaluator include comments or a letter with the form evaluation. A letter can be composed in the comments section of the VMCAS electronic letter of recommendation. Evaluators cannot be related to the applicant by blood or marriage.	Letters of recommendation are due the same date and time as the application. Iowa residents: September 3, 2013. All other applicants: October 2, 2013 1:00 pm Eastern Time. Letters of recommendation sent directly to the ISU-CVM will NOT be accepted. No late letters of evaluation will be allowed.
Kansas State University	3	Electronic	Evaluations must be from a veterinarian, your advisor or a professor, and from another person who is not related to you.	-
Louisiana State University	Min. of 3	Electronic	At least one or two of the evaluations should be from veterinarians with whom you have worked and who can evaluate your potential as a veterinarian. It is highly advised that at least two of your eLORs be written by DVMs for whom you may have worked.	Letters of recommendation sent directly to the LSU SVM will NOT be accepted, and a maximum of six eLORs will be accepted by the LSU SVM. Committee letters are only considered as one letter of recommendation. ALL letters of recommendation (eLORs) must be submitted electronically through the VMCAS application process.
Michigan State University	3	Electronic	One letter must be from a veterinarian that you have worked with either as a volunteer or for pay. Letters of recommendation from a family member, written by a committee, or in the form of a hard copy will NOT be accepted.	-
University of Minnesota	3	Electronic	It is highly recommended that at least one evaluator be a DVM. The other two evaluators should be from a professional or educational setting.	Additional evaluations will be reviewed.
Mississippi State University	3	Electronic	At least one of the evaluators must be a veterinarian.	Each applicant should submit three (only) completed Letters of Recommendation (eLORs). eLORs are to be submitted electronically to VMCAS, not to MSU-CVM. eLORs are due to be submitted by October 3.

University of Missouri	3	See note	Three evaluations must be submitted with at least one being from a veterinarian whom they have observed in a clinical setting. This evaluator should know the applicant well and be able to speak to their personal characteristics and attributes and one that can evaluate the applicant's potential as a veterinarian. Evaluations are not accepted from relatives by birth or marriage.	All letters of recommendation (eLORs) must be submitted electronically through the VMCAS application process. No letters of recommendation will be accepted outside of VMCAS or sent directly to the University of Missouri College of Veterinary Medicine.
North Carolina State University	3	Electronic	It is highly recommended that two recommendations (2) are submitted by veterinarians or PhD scientists with whom the applicant has worked in a veterinary or research setting. The letters must describe the nature of the work relationship. The third letter can be from an academic advisor, employment supervisor or other evaluator of the applicant's choosing who has some working knowledge of the applicant. Applicants should not ask relatives to submit letters on their behalf.	Three (3) recommendations are required using the VMCAS Electronic Evaluation system (eLOR). Each evaluator should include a written narrative that supports his or her overall evaluation of the applicant. Applicants must submit letters through the eLOR system. Although VMCAS allows a maximum of 5 submissions, NC State only requires 3 letters of recommendation and prefers to only receive 3 letters per applicant. Evaluations should support experiences listed and validate maturity, commitment and work ethic with specific examples. The admissions committee may contact references directly if further information or clarification is required. You will be asked to provide contact information on the NC State supplemental application for veterinarians with whom you have worked that did not provide an electronic evaluation to possibly verify work experience.
Ohio State University	3	Electronic	At least one of the evaluators must be a veterinarian.	-
Oklahoma State University	3	Electronic	At least one reference must be from a licensed veterinarian. Other references can be from an academic source or an employer who can speak to your potential for entering the veterinary profession.	If an applicant submits more than three e-LORs to VMCAS, OSU will only view three randomly selected references from the VMCAS application.

Oregon State University	3	Electronic	You should select recommenders who know you well enough to provide meaningful comments. At least one letter of recommendation must be from a veterinarian with whom you have had significant contact. Applications without at least one letter from a veterinarian will not be reviewed. If you are currently in a graduate program, include a letter from your major adviser.	We suggest that you request letters of recommendation at least 45 to 60 days prior to the application deadline.
University of Pennsylvania	3	Electronic and Written	One recommendation must be from a science related academic source and one must be from a veterinarian. The third is of the applicant's choice but should not be from a family member.	-
Purdue University	3	Electronic	Strongly suggested that one reference is from a veterinarian.	-
University of Tennessee	3-5	Electronic	Individuals who have a good understanding of your academic abilities, your animal and veterinary experience, your understanding of the veterinary profession, and your personal qualities.	3 letters of recommendation are required and preferred. No more than 5 letters will be accepted.
Texas A&M University	3	Written	Evaluations (3 evaluations are required. 1 evaluation must come from a veterinarian with whom you have worked. Failure to complete this request could result in the disqualification of your application. No letters of support/recommendation are needed.)	Veterinary applicants are required to submit three evaluations directly to TMSAS. Each evaluation must be completed on the TAMU College of Veterinary Medicine Applicant Evaluation Form. You will complete the top portion of the form by hand and deliver it to your evaluators. Each evaluator must then fill out the TAMU CVM Applicant Evaluation Form, sign it and mail it to TMSAS.
Tufts University	3	Electronic and Written	1. A pre-veterinary, pre-medical or pre-health professions committee, or from a dean, advisor or faculty member in your major or who taught a required pre-professional science course. 2. A faculty member in your major or who taught a required pre-professional science course. Applicants with graduate work should have an appropriate graduate school faculty member write this letter. 3. A veterinarian or research scientist with whom you have had considerable experience.	-
Tuskegee University	3	Not Specified	2 must be from science professors, 1 must be from a veterinarian	-

Virginia - Maryland Regional College	3	Electronic	It is highly recommended that at least one evaluator be a veterinarian. The other two are the applicant's choice.	-
Washington State University	3	Electronic	The best individuals for these evaluations are those who know the applicant well enough to provide meaningful comments. At least one evaluation must be from a veterinarian with whom the applicant has interacted fairly extensively. It is highly recommended that one should come from a person in academia who could speak to the student's academic ability, preferably one who has taught in the pre-professional curriculum. Other evaluations should come from individuals who can evaluate the oral and written communication skills as well as the scientific background of the applicant.	-
Western University	3	Electronic	Evaluations should be solicited from people who know you well from extensive professional interactions, but who are not related to you. Examples of appropriate evaluators would include veterinarians or other employers, professors, teaching assistants, academic advisors, and mentors.	The letters of evaluation should state the nature and extent to which the reference knows you, and should elaborate on, among other things, your attributes and abilities in areas such as communication skills, ethics, interpersonal skills, motivation toward the profession, and maturity. Providing behavioral examples of your performance in these areas is encouraged.
University of Wisconsin	3	Electronic	Letters from veterinarians are very highly recommended, letters from employers, faculty, and academic staff are also beneficial	
INTERNATIONAL SCHOIOLS	▼	▼	▼	▼
University of Calgary (Canada)	3	Both Electronic and Written	References must include an instructor at a post-secondary institution, a supervisor from a work/volunteer setting and a personal reference who is a non-relative. Reference forms are available on our website. It is your responsibility to provide this document to your references. Completed reference forms must be submitted with the application package in a sealed envelope with the referee's signature across the seal. Incomplete applications will not be considered.	-

University College Dublin (Ireland)	2	Not Specified	Minimum of two required: One from an academic science source and one from a Veterinary Surgeon.	-
University of Edinburgh (Scotland)	2	Electronic	Minimum of two required: One from an academic science source and one from a Veterinary Surgeon.	-
University of Glasgow (Scotland)	2	Not Specified	A minimum of two are required, one each from an academic science source and a veterinary surgeon.	-
University of Guelph (Canada)	3	Electronic and Written	At least two references must be from veterinarians with whom the applicant has obtained veterinary and/or animal experience. There is a strong preference for veterinarians from different clinics.	-
Massey University (New Zealand)	None	Electronic	Letters of recommendation are not required, however applicants must submit a letter signed by a veterinarian on his/her clinic letterhead verifying they have completed a minimum of 10 days' work experience at their clinic.	-
University of Melbourne (Australia)	None	Not Specified	None required, but will be considered if submitted.	-
National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) (Mexico)	0	N/A	Evaluations are not needed.	-
Université de Montréal (Canada)	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	-
Murdoch University (Australia)	Not Specified	Not Specified	See note	Though no specific evaluation is required, applicants are required to provide evidence, such as signed references, of veterinary related work experience, most importantly at veterinary practices. Other relevant animal work includes work at animal shelters, farms, with wildlife, and in research.

University of Prince Edward Island (Canada)	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	-
Univ. of Queensland	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	-
Ross University	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	-
Royal Veterinary College - London	2 Min.		A minimum of two are required, one each from an academic science source and a veterinary surgeon.	-
University of Saskatchewan - Western College of Veterinary Medicine (Canada)	2	Electronic	Two are required, one from a veterinarian and one from an individual with an agricultural- or animal-related background.	Space is provided on the application form to nominate referees to support the application. Referees will be contacted directly and asked to complete the reference form online.
St. George's University (Grenada)	2-5	Not Specified	Letters of recommendation should preferably be from veterinarians or science professors.	-
University of Sydney (Australia)	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	Though no specific evaluation is required, applicants are required to demonstrate experience on the "Commitment to Veterinary Science" form that can be downloaded from the faculty web site http://sydney.edu.au/vetscience/future_students/
Utrecht University (Netherlands)	2	Not Specified	One must be from your current employer. Please note, an additional requirement is completion of at least one year of relevant working experience.	-
NON-AVMA / COE ACCREDITED SCHOOLS	▼	▼	▼	▼

University of Copenhagen	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified	-
St. Matthews University (Cayman Islands)	2	Electronic and Written	Two are required, one from a veterinarian	-