

AAVMC POSITION STATEMENT

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AAVMC is disappointed in the US Supreme Court's decision in Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. (SFFA) v. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill v. Harvard University ruling, given the current state of discussions related to race in the US and abroad. This ruling will no doubt impact the level of admissions of students from underrepresented and marginalized backgrounds across higher education and veterinary medicine. AAVMC research reveals that racial and ethnic bias remain prominent in the admissions process to veterinary school, to the detriment of students from minoritized backgrounds. This ruling could make it harder to eradicate this bias from the process. AAVMC will continue to work with its member institutions to promote admissions policies and practices that balance our collective desire to increase diversity consistent with today's ruling.