Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Kansas State University

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Program Description

Admission Requirements:

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- Students are selected from qualified applicants on the path to completion of the required 64 semester hours of pre-professional requirements. To be eligible for an interview, applicants must attain at least a 2.8 in the pre-professional requirements, a 2.8 GPA on the required science courses and in the last 45 hours of undergraduate college work. Any grade less than "C-" in a required course is not accepted.
- Personal interviews are required of all qualified applicants. To demonstrate an understanding of the profession to the Admissions Committee, all individuals interested in applying to the College of Veterinary Medicine are encouraged to have animal- and veterinary-related experience. All other experiences such as employment, research, extracurricular activities, volunteer/community service are evaluated as well.
- Students should view the application review process (https://www.vet.k-state.edu/admissions/requirements/application.htm) if interested in applying.
- Only those students who can complete the required 64 semester hours of pre-professional courses by the end of the spring term of the year in which they are seeking admission will be considered for admission to the professional curriculum.
- The VMCAS application opens in January of each year. KSU CVM Supplemental Application opens online mid-May each year. Both applications are due mid-September each year. Visit the application information (https://www.vet.k-state.edu/admissions/apply/) for more details.
- All applicants, both Kansas residents and nonresidents, must apply through the Veterinary Medical College Application Service (http://www.aavmc.org/) (VMCAS). In addition, an online supplemental application must be completed prior to Mid-September each year. The KSU CVM Supplemental Application (https://www.vet.k-state.edu/asp/Admissions/SupplementalApplication/) will coincide each year with the due date stated on the VMCAS/AAVMC (https://www.aavmc.org/students-applicants-and-advisors/veterinary-medical-college-application-service/) website. A $50 nonrefundable application fee must accompany the supplemental application.
- Each year Interviews (https://www.vet.k-state.edu/admissions/requirements/interviews.html) are held at the KSU College of Veterinary Medicine campus. A virtual option is available for applicants unable to travel, however, in-person interviews are encouraged.
- A baccalaureate degree is not required. Pre-Veterinary Medicine is not a major. Therefore, you are unable to earn a degree after completing only these pre-veterinary requirements. Students who declare an undergraduate major will have a primary advisor and a pre-vet advisor to help with course selection at K-State. Transfer students must have a 3.0 college GPA to declare a pre-health emphasis. Visit the KSU Health Professions Information (https://www.k-state.edu/academics/interest-areas/health-professions/) for more details.

Mission Statement
Our mission is to admit to the program the next generation of veterinarians who will serve our communities here and abroad, with competence and compassion.
The admissions committee is committed to identifying applicants who possess the following characteristics:
- A strong desire to be a veterinarian.
- Personal integrity and high ethical standards.
- A compassion for people and animals.
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Problem solving and critical thinking skills.
- A commitment to the betterment of humanity and the improvement of one's community, society, and profession.
- Documented evidence of scientific academic pursuit.
- A commitment to lifelong learning.
- An understanding of the impact of the profession at a local, regional, national, and global level, and the role of our profession in the One Health Initiative.

Applicant Ranking
- Each year approximately 120 new students are admitted to the DVM degree program. Fifty of these students are from Kansas and the remainder are from throughout the United States and other countries. Because there are more qualified applicants than space permits each year, applicants are ranked based on academic history and other criteria including animal experience, veterinary employment history, research experience, volunteer/community service, extracurricular activities, letters of reference, interviews with the CVM Admissions Committee, etc. Visit class statistics (https://www.vet.k-state.edu/admissions/snapshot/) of accepted students is available for review.
- A minimum GPA of 2.8 for the last 45 credit hours of undergraduate work, prerequisites and science prerequisites. Applicants must complete prerequisite courses by the end of the spring semester prior to the fall during which they wish to begin veterinary college.

Required Prerequisite Coursework

The following required pre-requisite courses can be completed at Kansas State University or at another accredited college or university, and serve as minimum preparation for the professional program and curriculum: Visit the

Minimum KSU course requirement for more information.
Visit K-State's Transfer Equivalency to evaluate requirements taken elsewhere to ensure courses meet the minimum KSU requirement.

Course Code Code	Course Title Title	Course Hours Hours	Transfer Code	Transfer Title	Transfer Hours
BIOL 135	Principles of Cell and Molecular Biology	4	BIOL 198	Principles of Biology	4
BIOL 230	Microbiology*	3	BIOL 255 & BIOL 455	General Microbiology and General Microbiology	4
BIOL 231	Microbiology Lab*	2	BIOL 255 & BIOL 455	General Microbiology and General Microbiology	4
CHEM 124 & CHEM 125	General Chemistry I Lecture* and General Chemistry I Lab*	4	CHM 210 & CHM 220	Chemistry I and Honors Chemistry I	5
CHEM 131 & CHEM 132	General Chemistry II Lecture* and General Chemistry II Lab*	4	CHM 230	Chemistry II	4
CHEM 140	Principles of Organic Biological Chemistry*	5	CHM 350 & CHM 351	General Organic Chemistry and Gen Organic Chemistry Lab	2
CHEM 250	Biochemistry*	4	BIOCH 521	General Biochemistry	3
COMS 121	Public Speaking	3	COMM 105 & COMM 106 & COMM 109	Performance Appreciation and Public Speaking I and "Public Speaking 1A, Honors"	3
Select one of the following:					
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3	ENGL 100	Expository Writing I	3
ENGL 119	College Composition I with Review*	5	ENGL 100 Expository Writing I		
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3	ENGL 200	Expository Writing II	3
PHYS 130	College Physics I*	5	PHYS 113	General Physics I	4
PHYS 131	College Physics II*	5	PHYS 114	General Physics II	4

ASI 500 Genetics^ No equivalent

Electives Any non-developmental credit course accepted.
Visit the KSU Transfer Equivalency Tool for JCCC equivalents

Social Sciences/Humanities - are fulfilled by courses focused on the study of human behavior and interaction in social, cultural, environmental, economic and political contexts. The Humanities and Social Sciences have a historical and contemporary focus, from personal to global contexts and consider challenges for the future. (Areas of study: law, history, ancient languages, modern languages, philosophy, religion, appreciation of visual/performing arts, anthropology, criminology, administration, archaeology, education, economics, psychology, linguistics, political science). Business and economic courses also accepted.

On the VMCAS and KSU CVM Supplemental Applications, enter only enough courses to fulfill the requirements.

Visit the KSU Core General Education guide (https://www.jccc.edu/student-resources/transfer/files/transfer-guides/ksu-gen-ed-reqs.pdf) for JCCC equivalents.

*   JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

^   JCCC BIOL 205 General Genetics* (4 hours) is accepted as a pre-requisite for application to the Vet Med program but is not acceptable as an equivalent to ASI 500 or BIO 398 toward an undergraduate degree program.

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