

# DOCTOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE (DVM)



## ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

The DVM Professional Program at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (CVM) is one of the oldest and most prestigious programs of its kind in the United States. The CVM views the selection of students admitted to the DVM Professional Program as a priority and a responsibility to Texas A&M and the veterinary profession.

## CURRICULUM

The DVM Professional Program curriculum is a four-year program with three years of classroom and laboratory instruction and a final year of clinical rotations in the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH). It's designed to give future veterinarians a solid foundation in disease recognition and clinical competency.

During the first three years of the program, basic science courses are instructed alongside courses that focus on the professional skills necessary for success as a veterinarian. Learning experiences include didactic lectures, small group discussions, simulation exercises, clinical skills instruction, as well as critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication training. Students are offered opportunities to direct learning toward individual career goals in companion animal medicine, large animal medicine (including both equine and food animal species), public health, research, and exotic animal or wildlife medicine. In the fourth year of the program, students are assigned to clinical experiences. Students spend 12 months on clinical rotations in the VMTH and other venues, including the Houston SPCA, the TDCJ, and externship experiences at locations of the student's choice.

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Visit [vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/selection](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/selection) for details on the admissions formula, which includes academic and nonacademic criteria.

The minimal acceptable GPAs on a 4.00 scale are: a 2.90 overall, a 3.10 for the last 45 semester hours, **AND** a 2.90 in all sciences courses.

Scores from the new version of the GRE General Test are required and must include all three sections. Scores received for tests taken prior to Sept. 1, 2015, will not be accepted. The test must be taken no later than Sept. 1 of the year preceding proposed admission. Submission of GRE scores will be required in order to complete the application.

The prerequisites required for entry into the professional DVM program are selected to best prepare applicants for the rigorous curriculum. Prior to admission, applicants **must have**:

- completed 53 hours of prerequisite coursework by the end of the spring semester prior to admission into the program.
- completed or be enrolled in the following prerequisites prior to fall application: Organic Chemistry I, Physics I, and Biochemistry I (see complete listing of prerequisites on back).
- completed the majority of their science prerequisites by the semester of their application.
- completed and passed all required prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better within the last 10 years and by the end of the spring semester prior to admission into the program.

For detailed information on prerequisites, including specific course numbers allowed from various colleges and universities, visit [vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/prerequisites](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/prerequisites).

# PREREQUISITE COURSES\*

Life Sciences .....	Credit Hours
General Biology with lab (BIOL 111) .....	4
General Microbiology with lab (VTPB 405, BIOL 351, or BIOL 206).....	4
Genetics** (GENE 301 or GENE 320) .....	3
Animal Nutrition or Feeds & Feeding** (ANSC 303 (NUTR 303), ANSC 318, or ANSC 320).....	3
Chemistry/Statistics/Physics .....	Credit Hours
Inorganic Chemistry with lab (CHEM 101/111 & CHEM 102/112).....	8
Organic Chemistry with lab (CHEM 227/237 & CHEM 228/238).....	8
Biochemistry** (must be lecture hours only) (BICH 410) .....	3
Statistics** (STAT 301, 302, or 303) .....	3
Physics (PHYS 201 and 202).....	8
Non-Sciences .....	Credit Hours
English (Any 2 ENGL courses).....	6
Speech Communication (COMM 203, COMM 315, or COMM 325).....	3

\*Texas A&M course numbers are shown in parenthesis above. Please note that prerequisites are subject to change.

\*\*These courses must be equivalent to comparable courses at Texas A&M and completed at a four-year institution. They will not be accepted from a two-year college.

# TIMELINE

- On-line applications are available on or around May 1.
- Deadline for submission varies from year to year but is typically Sept. 15.
- Students selected to participate in CVM Multiple Mini Interviews (MMIs) will be notified in December to interview on campus in early January.
- Offers of admission are usually made via e-mail in mid-March. Confirmation of acceptance must be received by April 15.
- Visit [vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/deadlines](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions/deadlines) for details.

# HOW TO APPLY

Applicants are encouraged to visit [vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/admissions) regularly for the latest admissions information. Admissions criteria are subject to change, and it's the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they are qualified to apply. The website will show the current requirements.

All applicants must apply online through the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS) and submit the supplemental application through the CVM website.

1. Submit **TMDSAS application and applicant evaluation forms** via [www.tmdsas.com](http://www.tmdsas.com)
2. Submit **supplemental application** via [vetmed.tamu.edu/supplemental-application](http://vetmed.tamu.edu/supplemental-application)
3. Submit **official transcripts**, postmarked on or before Sept. 15, via postal mail. Send directly to:  
**TMDSAS | P.O. Box 2175 | Austin, TX 78768**

# ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE FOR 2019–2020\*

	Texas Residents	Non-Residents
<b>Tuition &amp; Fees</b>	\$24,654–\$27,826	\$38,454–\$42,256
<b>Other Expenses**</b>	\$20,310–\$24,520	\$21,360–\$25,570
<b>Total</b>	\$44,964–\$52,346	\$59,814–\$67,826

\*Subject to change. \*\*Includes loan fees, books & supplies, room & board, travel, personal expenses, etc.

For information about financial aid, visit [financialaid.tamu.edu/Professional/Types-of-Aid](http://financialaid.tamu.edu/Professional/Types-of-Aid)

# PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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