



Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) Professional Program



Admissions Information

The professional DVM program at Texas A&M University is one of the oldest and most prestigious programs of its kind in the United States. The College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (CVM) views the selection of students for acceptance as its most important priority and responsibility to the veterinary medical profession, Texas A&M, and the CVM.

Curriculum

The professional degree curriculum is a four-year program composed of three years of classroom and laboratory instruction with a final year of clinical rotations in the Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital (VMTH). It is designed to give future veterinarians a solid base in disease recognition and clinical competency.

The first two years provide a foundation in medical science, clinical skills, and basic clinical reasoning. The third year emphasizes diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment. The student also begins structuring a personalized course selection to direct learning toward individual career goals, choosing between small animal species, mixed animal species, large animal species, or alternative career tracks. The student will be assigned to clinical duties in the VMTH. The fourth year is a full 12 months and includes rotations through the VMTH and other venues, including the Houston SPCA, as well as a four-week externship experience at a location of the student's choice.

Entrance Requirements

Visit vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/future/selection-process for details on the admissions formula, which includes both academic and nonacademic criteria.

The minimal acceptable overall GPA is 2.90 on a 4.00 scale, 3.10 for the last 45 semester credits, AND 2.90 in sciences courses.

Scores from the new version of the GRE General Test are required (must include all three sections). Scores prior to Aug. 1, 2011 will not be accepted. The test must be taken no later than Sept. 30 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 56 hours of prerequisite coursework by the end of the Spring semester prior to admission into the professional DVM 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 science prerequisites by the semester of application
- Passed all required prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better by the end of the Spring semester prior to admission into the professional DVM program

For detailed information on prerequisites, visit vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/future/prerequisites, including specific course numbers allowed from various colleges and universities.

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
Chemical/Physical Sciences and Mathematics	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, STAT 302, or STAT 303).....	3
Physics (PHYS 201 and PHYS 202).....	8
Non-Sciences	Credit Hours
Composition and Rhetoric (ENGL 104).....	3
Introduction to Psychology (PSYC 107).....	3
Speech Communication (COMM 203, COMM 315, or COMM 325).....	3
Technical Writing (ENGL 301).....	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. 30.
- Students selected to participate in CVM Multiple Mini Interviews (MMI) will be notified in December to interview on campus in early January.
- Offers of admission are usually made via letter in mid-March.
- Acceptances are due no later than April 15.

How to Apply

Applicants are encouraged to visit vetmed.tamu.edu/dvm/future regularly for the latest admissions information. Admissions criteria are subject to change, and it is 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 supplemental application materials through the CVM website.

1. Submit TMDSAS application via www.tmdsas.com
2. Submit supplemental application via vetmed.tamu.edu/supplemental-application
3. Submit applicant evaluations and official transcripts via postal mail, postmarked no later than Oct. 1, directly to: **TMDSAS, P.O. Box 2175, Austin, TX 78768**

Estimated Cost of Attendance for 2015–2016*

	Texas Residents	Non-Residents
Tuition & Fees	\$21,714–\$24,290	\$33,844–\$35,412
Other Expenses**	\$16,112–\$21,120	\$16,640–\$21,120
Total	\$37,826–\$45,410	\$50,484–\$56,532

*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

Please contact us for more information.

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