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Michigan State University
College of Veterinary Medicine Fact Sheet

What is MSU's College of Veterinary Medicine's (MSU CVM's) mission statement?

"The mission of the College of Veterinary Medicine is to develop a diverse academic community that fosters scholarly activity and encourages exemplary human qualities in order that the art and science of veterinary medicine may be imparted to students, expanded by research, and extended to the public for the benefit of animal and human health to meet the changing needs of Michigan, the nation, and the world."

Where can I find additional information about MSU CVM?

- MSU CVM Website: http://cvm.msu.edu/
- Veterinary Medical School Admission Requirements (VMSAR): http://www.aavmc.org/Publications/VMSAR.aspx (copies available in the CLAS Academic Advising Center!)

What are the admission statistics for the 2018 entering class?

- **1199 Applied** (324 Michigan residents, 875 non-Michigan residents), **897 reviewed** (257 MI residents, 640 non-residents), **348 interviewed** (126 MI residents, 222 non-residents)
- Number matriculated: **115**

The following GVSU courses are prerequisites to MSU CVM's Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program:

Science Prerequisites:
BIO 120: General Biology I
BIO 121: General Biology II
PHY 220: General Physics I
PHY 221: General Physics II
At least one Advanced Biology Elective Course – the following are recommended:
BIO 375: Genetics (**BIO 376:** Genetics Lab req'd at GV)
BIO 357: Environmental Microbiology
  Or **BMS 212:** Introductory Microbiology
BIO 432: Comparative Animal Physiology
BMS 410: Immunology
BMS 450: Human Histology
CMB 405: Cell and Molecular Biology

CHM 115: Principles of Chemistry I
(CHM 116: Principles of Chemistry II is required for
        CHM 241/242 @ GVSU)
CHM 241: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences I
CHM 242: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences II
CHM 461: Biochemistry I
MTH 122 and **123** or **124** or **125** or **201**: College Algebra and Trigonometry, or Precalculus Functions and Models, Survey of Calculus, or Calculus I

General Education Requirements:
WRT 150: Strategies in Writing
2 Social Science courses
2 Arts and Humanities courses

Suggested course: VM 110 Vet Med Terminology at MSU can be taken as a guest student in the summer

All prerequisite courses must be completed by the Spring (Winter) Semester of the year of matriculation. *The minimum required GPA for science prerequisite courses is 3.0 and for the last three semesters GPA is 3.0.*
AP credit policy*: AP credit(s) must appear on an official transcript and be equivalent to appropriate college-level coursework.*

GRE	*GPA*
Michigan State no longer requires the GRE for admission into their veterinary program.	For the 2018 class, the average GPAs were as follows: **Science** GPA: **3.44*** **Last-3-Semester** (36 credits min) GPA: **3.64** **The science GPA includes only MSU CVM's science prerequisite courses. They only use the most recent grade if you have repeated a science prerequisite.*

What else do I need to do to be a competitive applicant to MSU CVM?

Applicants with a minimum 3.0 science and last 3 semester GPA go on to Phase II, file review. The file is reviewed based on five non-academic criteria which are:

- Breadth and depth of animal and veterinary experiences through time of application (future experiences not considered)**
- Agricultural background and/or food animal experience
- Diverse background, such as gained from cultural, career, or community service experiences
- Research experience
- Socio-economic (Family/Financial/Cultural) challenges or hardships that you have had to overcome while obtaining your education and how you overcame them.

Final selection is based on a combination of the SIS, evidence of significant accomplishments in one or more of the above listed non-academic criteria and how these have impacted you and will make you a better veterinarian, and performance in the Multiple-Mini Interview.

**The Committee on Student Admissions recommends that an applicant has at least 150 hours of experience working with a veterinarian. For the most recently admitted class, 50% of applicants had over 870 hours of veterinary experience individually at the time of application.

What do I need to know about applying to MSU CVM?

Like most veterinary medical schools, MSU CVM uses **VMCAS** as their application server: http://www.aavmc.org/vmcas/vmcas.htm .

MSU CVM uses a **Multiple-Mini Interview** (MMI) format with 6-minute interviews at 7 stations, each with its own evaluator and scenario. The scenarios address attributes we believe are important in becoming a competent and caring veterinarian. Some of these are: communication, maturity, and cultural competence.

The application includes **three evaluations** of which one must be from a veterinarian you have worked with and/or has supervised you. Letters from family members and committee letters will **not** be accepted.

Tuition for 2018/2019 **i**s $31,008 (in-state)

What is it like to be a MSU CVM student?

Visit this link to review the MSU CVM curriculum: http://cvm.msu.edu/students/curriculum

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