

PRE-VETERINARY MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM  
**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS**

***Current High School Seniors***

1. Achieve a composite score of 30 on the American College Test (ACT) or an equivalent score on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Copy of scores must be sent from High School with transcript or copy of sent directly to the Veterinary School.
2. Complete the enclosed Application.
3. Fill out the top line and the bottom portion of the Guidance Counselor Report and give it to your counselor for completion. An official copy of your transcript of high-school work completed, through the fall of your senior year, must be attached to this report from your counselor.
4. Fill out the top line and the bottom portion of each of the Admission Evaluation Forms. Two forms should be completed by your teachers, at least one of who is a science teacher. If you have had the opportunity to work/shadow/volunteer with a veterinarian, an evaluation from them is recommended (three evaluations, in addition to the Guidance Counselors Report, must be submitted to complete the application).

Additional evaluations will not be accepted.

5. Complete an application for admission to the undergraduate program at the University of Missouri. (Failure to complete this application makes you ineligible for the PVM).
6. It is suggested that you give your counselor and each of your evaluators a return envelope that has already been stamped and addressed to The University of Missouri, Pre-Veterinary Medicine Scholars Program, W203 Vet. Med. Bldg., Columbia, MO 65211.
7. **Applications must be received in our office by April 1 of your senior year or September 15 as MU Freshman.** (Early submissions receives no advantage)

***Current University of Missouri Freshmen (1<sup>st</sup> semester freshman follow HS instructions above)***

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2. Complete the enclosed Application.
3. Fill out the top line and the bottom portion of the Guidance Counselor Report and give it to your counselor for completion. An official copy of your transcript of all high-school work completed must be attached to this report from your counselor.
4. Fill out the top line and bottom portion of each of the Admission Evaluation Forms. At least one form must be completed by a high-school science teacher and at least one form by an MU professor from whom you took a course this academic year and a third from a person of your choice. (If applying Sept. 15th no MU faculty is required) If you have had the opportunity to work/shadow/volunteer with a veterinarian, an evaluation from them is recommended.

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6. After Fall grades have been posted on your MU transcript, request an official transcript to be sent to the address in #5 above. (If applying Sept 15th no fall grades are needed)
7. **The deadline for applications to be received in our office for MU freshmen is September 15 or April 1 of spring term.**



List high school courses for which advanced placement was received \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken college courses while in high school? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, indicate the institution, courses, and grades received \_\_\_\_\_

School activities \_\_\_\_\_

Work Experience

Start date	End date	Employer	Hours per week

Other activities (community, church, employment, medically-related, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Honors received \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance counselor \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Information Requested for MU Student**

MU Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Semester Enrolled at MU \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Courses for which advanced placement or CLEP credit was received \_\_\_\_\_

General Honors courses taken \_\_\_\_\_

Activities \_\_\_\_\_

Academic advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a typed statement in which you briefly discuss your understanding of the veterinary medical profession and your career goals and objectives (limit to one page).

Candidate signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR REPORT**

(Must be received in our office by April 1 or September 15)

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Please complete both sides of this form and attach a copy of the candidate's transcript as well as results of the student's performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) and any achievement tests. This report is confidential and will be available only to those involved in our admission process. Supplementary transcripts of the applicant's performance in the senior year should be sent as they become available.

Counselor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address City State Zip

Telephone number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ School's Code Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Extension

Length of time acquainted with candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Grade point average to date is \_\_\_\_\_ based on a scale with A=\_\_\_\_\_.

The candidate's rank is \_\_\_\_\_\* in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ students.

Give an approximate percentage of the candidate's graduating class that plans to attend a four-year college?  
\_\_\_\_\_

\*(If no rank is available, please enclose information which allows the faculty committee to assess the candidate's academic strength in relation to fellow students.)  
\_\_\_\_\_

To be completed by the candidate (please sign A or B):

A: I hereby waive my right to see this evaluation should I matriculate at the University of Missouri.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

B: I decline to waive my right to see this evaluation should I matriculate at the University of Missouri.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## GUIDANCE COUNSELOR REPORT

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please write a current appraisal of the candidate's academic and personal qualities and promise as a candidate for the Pre-Veterinary Medicine Scholars program. We are particularly interested in evidence of the student's character, maturity, independence, values, and any special talent or quality that the candidate possesses. We are interested in a brief narrative that will give us added insight into the strengths and weaknesses of the candidate. (If you attach a letter of recommendation, please also provide a rating and your signature below.)

In view of this applicant's strengths and weaknesses, how well do you believe he or she is suited to the study and preparation for a professional career? (Circle the appropriate number.)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Marginal		Average			Outstanding

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form and all requested supporting materials to: Office of Admissions, W-203 Veterinary Medicine Building, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, 65211.

Pre-Veterinary Medicine Scholars Program  
**ADMISSIONS EVALUATION FORM**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR EVALUATORS**

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The person who gave you this form has applied to the University of Missouri-Columbia College of Veterinary Medicine. The applicant believes you have had sufficient contact with him/her to provide an evaluation of qualities that might relate to future performance as a veterinarian. Your evaluation should be based on comparison with other students you have known. In the space provided, please indicate the peer group which you are comparing this applicant. It is important to complete and return this evaluation form. If you wish, you may attach a letter of recommendation.

**IN MARKING THE EVALUATION, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:**

Rate the applicant on a scale of 1 to 6 on the lines to the left of each statement. On this scale, a 6 is the highest possible rating and should be reserved for the most outstanding individuals based upon the particular characteristic. Accordingly, a 1 is the lowest rating and should be reserved for those individuals who are seriously deficient in this quality.

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Tear off and discard.



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Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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With what peer group are you comparing this applicant?

Under what circumstances and during what period have you known this applicant?

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