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# Veterinary Medicine

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The college was established in 1946. It offers a four-year professional program leading to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree. Applicants (<http://cvm.missouri.edu/prospective-students/>) generally have a B.S. or B.A. degree but can be admitted after completing prerequisite course requirements

The Pre-Veterinary Medical Scholars and AgScholars programs (<http://cvm.missouri.edu/prospective-students/early-acceptance-programs/>) provide early assurance of admission to the MU College of Veterinary Medicine upon satisfactory completion of undergraduate and program requirements. Students work with advisers in the college, and they observe veterinarians at work as part of the program. Students with a minimum ACT score of 30 or an equivalent SAT score are eligible to apply for the Pre-Vet Scholars Program. The required minimum ACT score for the AgScholars Program is 27 and applicants must have demonstrated experience in livestock production and health. Super scores accepted. Once at Mizzou, scholars must meet program minimum standards, including maintaining a 3.5 cumulative GPA. For more information, call the College of Veterinary Medicine at 573-884-3341.

In addition to the professional program, the college's Department of Veterinary Pathobiology offers a bachelor of science degree in microbiology (<http://vpbio.missouri.edu/undergraduate-studies/>). This program provides students with a thorough and challenging curriculum designed to prepare graduates for a multitude of careers, including entry-level positions in research, clinical and pharmaceutical laboratories, graduate studies in microbiology and other scientific fields, and admission to schools of health professions.

Online biomedical science courses (<http://biomedonline.missouri.edu/online-programs-for-graduate-veterinary-technicians-in-veterinary-biomedical-technology/>) available to undergraduate and graduate students through the College of Veterinary Medicine are listed in this catalog. These can be used to fulfill the requirements of a Certificate in Biomedical Science, for a licensed veterinary technician to complete a baccalaureate degree or to earn a master's degree in biomedical sciences.

The college also provides diagnostic and patient care services for animals. The CVM has a national reputation for excellent student-to-instructor ratio and state-of-the-art facilities. The college also offers post-graduate training to interns, residents in various specialties (<http://www.vms.missouri.edu>) and graduate students (<http://cvmresearch.missouri.edu/>).

For more information about the College of Veterinary Medicine, call (573) 882-3768, or visit <http://cvm.missouri.edu> (<http://cvm.missouri.edu>)

## Faculty

Department of Biomedical Sciences: Biomedical Sciences // College of Veterinary Medicine ([missouri.edu](http://missouri.edu)) (<https://cvm.missouri.edu/biomedical-sciences/>)

Department of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery: Veterinary Medicine and Surgery // College of Veterinary Medicine ([missouri.edu](http://missouri.edu)) (<https://cvm.missouri.edu/veterinary-medicine-and-surgery/>)

Department of Veterinary Pathobiology: Veterinary Pathobiology // College of Veterinary Medicine ([missouri.edu](http://missouri.edu)) (<https://cvm.missouri.edu/veterinary-pathobiology/>)

\* Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.

\*\* Doctoral Faculty Member - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

## Undergraduate

The College of Veterinary Medicine does not offer an undergraduate degree in Veterinary Medicine. Please see the Degree Programs Table (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/degreesanddegreeprograms/>) for options.

## Graduate

The College of Veterinary Medicine does not offer a graduate degree in Veterinary Medicine. Please see the Degree Programs Table (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/degreesanddegreeprograms/>) for options.

## Professional

- DVM in Veterinary Medicine (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofveterinarymedicine/veterinarymedicine/dvm-veterinary-medicine/>)

The DVM degree is achieved after a four-year course of study. Applicants generally have a B.S. or B.A. degree but can be admitted after completing prerequisite course requirements. <http://cvm.missouri.edu/prospective-students/>

At the University of Missouri, the first two years are largely spent in classrooms and laboratories with the second two years devoted primarily to clinical study in the Veterinary Health Center.

The curriculum at the MU College of Veterinary Medicine is designed to provide students with the knowledge and technical skills necessary to be competent entry level veterinarians. We prepare our students for general veterinary practice, for entry into graduate or specialty training programs and with the background necessary for careers in regulatory medicine.

In the first two years, all students follow the same schedule, and courses must be successfully completed in sequence. In the final two years of the professional program, the student must successfully complete the required and elective clinical rotations to fulfill graduation requirements.

To receive the DVM degree, students must pass all courses. In addition to passing examinations, attendance and participation in all lectures, laboratories and clinical exercises is required. The doctor or veterinary medicine degree is awarded after successful completion of the professional program.