

PRE-VETERINARY

A minimum 60 credit hours of qualifying university studies, which may be completed at the University of Regina.

Course Requirements

Pre-Veterinary:

1. BIOC 220
2. BIOL 100
3. BIOL 101
4. BIOL 205
5. BIOL 222
6. CHEM 104
7. CHEM 105
8. CHEM 140
9. ENGL 100
10. ENGL 110
11. MATH 110
12. MATH 111 or STAT 160
13. PHYS 109 or 111
14. 7 open electives

**** CHEM 104 – requires CHEM 30 (at least 65%), or CHEM 100 (minimum 65%).**

Since competition for admission to the College is very keen, students interested in veterinary medicine should pursue a degree program in the Faculty of Science and should choose the elective courses to fit such a program. Most students admitted to the College have more than the minimum two years (60 credit hours) of pre-veterinary medicine.

Most applicants have more than two years of university. However, neither the number of years of pre-professional study nor the degree(s) held are factors in selecting students.

About the Western College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Saskatchewan:

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine is located on the campus of the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and provides education in veterinary medicine for the four western provinces.

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM). This program requires four years of full-time study after admission to the Western College of Veterinary Medicine, and is preceded by a minimum 60 credit hours of qualifying university studies, which may be completed at the University of Regina.

Applicants to the University of Regina should request admission to the Faculty of Science (Pre-Veterinary Medicine).

Required Grades and Averages: (following completion of 2 years of prerequisite courses)

A minimum CGPA of 75% is required. All grades are converted to a common scale for comparative purposes and this converted average is used.

There are no "preferred" electives: the choice of electives should be based upon the requirements of the program in which the student is enrolled or the student's general interests. Students are encouraged to select electives that will liberalize or broaden their perspective.

Other Admission Requirements & Selection Criteria:

An interview and two references (one of which must be a veterinarian and the other must have an animal or agricultural background) are required. While practical experience with animals is not an absolute requirement for admission to the program, it is becoming increasingly important as a factor in selection, as is an exposure to veterinary medicine.

Selection is based upon assessment of a number of factors including mental aptitude, academic performance, motivation, maturity, experience with animals, leadership qualities, social awareness, deportment, verbal facility and ability to communicate, and an understanding and knowledge of the veterinary profession. Degrees or diplomas held are not factors in the selection process.

Twenty spaces are reserved annually for Saskatchewan residents.

A defined number of seats have been allocated for self-identified applicants of aboriginal descent. These applicants are ranked among themselves and not against the general applicant pool. Proof of aboriginal ancestry is required and must be provided at the time of application. For the purpose of admission, the documents that are accepted as proof of aboriginal ancestry are listed on the University of Saskatchewan website (<http://explore.usask.ca/aboriginal/ancestry>).

Deadline for Applications:

Completed applications for Fall admission must be submitted to the College by December 1st of the year in which admission is sought.

Additional Information:

Further information and application forms may be obtained from the Program Academic Advisor of the Faculty of Science, University of Regina, or from:

Admissions Office
 Western College of Veterinary Medicine
 University of Saskatchewan
 52 Campus Drive
 Saskatoon, SK S7N 5B4
 Telephone: 306-966-7459; fax: 306-966-7314
 Web site: www.usask.ca/wcvm/

RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE – Year 1

Listed below is the course sequence for the requirements of the Pre-Veterinary program. This sequence must be followed in order to complete the required courses in two years.

| Semester 1 | Semester 2 |
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| 1. BIOL 100* 2. CHEM 104 3. ENGL 100 4. MATH 102 / MATH 110 5. Prep degree | 6. BIOL 101** 7. CHEM 105** 8. CHEM 140 9. ENGL 110 10. Prep degree |

*BIOL 100 is a Fall and Spring/Summer course

**BIOL 101 and CHEM 105 are usually Winter only courses

RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE – Year 2

| Semester 3 | Semester 4 |
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| 11. BIOC 220*** 12. BIOL 222*** 13. MATH 110 / Prep degree 14. Prep degree 15. Prep degree | 16. BIOL 205**** 17. MATH 111 / STAT 160 18. PHYS 109 19. Prep degree 20. Prep degree |

***BIOC 220 and BIOL 222 are Fall only courses

****BIOL 205 is a Winter only course

Note: Course requirements are based solely on the University of Saskatchewan requirements, and are subject to change.