



COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Transfer Policies

The Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine policies regarding transfer into the curriculum with advanced standings are:

- 1) An opening must exist in the class being entered.
- 2) The student must have met the same prerequisite qualifications as those students currently attending The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine. This is verified by a transcript for all undergraduate courses taken and GRE or MCAT test scores.
- 3) The student must be enrolled and in good standing at an **AVMA accredited school or college of veterinary medicine.**
- 4) The curricula of the two schools must be sufficiently alike to allow the student to enter a class without deficiencies in his/her academic background.
- 5) The student must provide a supporting letter from the Dean of Students/Academic Affairs at the school currently being attended, along with two letters of recommendation of the faculty at the school, and a current transcript of veterinary courses taken.
- 6) The student must supply a reason for the request.
- 7) If a student transfer into the 4th year of the curriculum is approved, that student must complete the entire clinical year's rotations, plus their elective quarter experience at OSU-CVM. Thus, any approved transfer student must begin their clinical year simultaneously with the start of the normal clinical year, i.e. Spring Quarter.
- 8) Each request is considered on an individual basis, by the Academic Standards Council with review by the Executive Committee.

In general, those students who successfully transfer do so at the end of the first year. After that, the curricula among veterinary schools become quite divergent until the 4th (clinical) year.

In addition the AAVMC rules state: Before a member college will consider a request for transfer, the recipient college will require written notification from the Dean or Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the school/college in which the student is currently enrolled. The written notification should confirm that the student is currently in good standing based on both academic and conduct factors.

The college considering the request for transfer should obtain written authorization from the applicant to obtain complete information regarding his status at the current school or college. A copy of the authorization should accompany the request for notification of the applicant's status.

If you have questions, please contact (614) 292-8831.