Welcome to
The Ohio State University
College of Veterinary Medicine

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program
Message from the Dean

Dear Prospective Students,

Thank you for considering The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine as you pursue your dream of becoming a veterinarian. We consider teaching and preparing the next generation of veterinarians our foremost purpose. We focus on enhancing our students’ education, career development, and total wellness.

Ohio State has one of the most well established and comprehensive colleges of veterinary medicine in the world. It is the only one located on a campus where there are six other health science colleges (dentistry, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, and public health), all collaborating on the One Health initiative.

Additionally, we have strong associations with many of Ohio State’s colleges including agriculture, business, engineering and social work. With such strong connections, you will find opportunities for comparative and translational research and clinical training as well as advanced opportunities in business training within our DVM program.

We have a rich history, strong tradition, and solid foundation of excellence on which to build and focus our leadership and advancement of veterinary education, clinical practice, and veterinary and comparative medical research.

We exist to benefit society and enhance the well-being of animals and people. Our vision is that the College of Veterinary Medicine will be the nation’s best veterinary and comparative learning community where our students are prepared for careers of excellence, our faculty and staff work collaboratively to further veterinary medicine and solve problems of significance, and our alumni become the next generation of global leaders.

The breadth and depth of our training contributes to our college being consistently ranked in the top five colleges of veterinary medicine, indication our reputation of excellence among our peers. The veterinary profession offers diverse and rich career opportunities and we invite you to examine the numerous career opportunities open to our graduates.

We would be honored to have each of you join our College family as we pursue excellence in our mission areas of teaching, research, service and outreach. We hope you will choose to become a Buckeye and become a part of our diverse and inclusive college community, and eventually one of our over 9,400 loyal and passionate alumni.

Kindly,

Dr. Rustin M. Moore,
Dean
Thank you for your interest in the College of Veterinary Medicine at The Ohio State University!

We are delighted that you are considering The Ohio State University and are interested in pursuing the veterinary profession. This brochure will provide you with information about our four-year Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program, including academic requirements, how to become a competitive applicant and information about our admissions process. You can find updated information on our website at vet.osu.edu/admissions.

The College of Veterinary Medicine hosts a variety of events that include Buckeye Exploration Day and Vet for a Day that will give you an opportunity to take an inside look at The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine and to learn more about the profession and veterinary school. Whether you are getting ready to apply or will be applying years from now, it is never too early to prepare yourself for the application process and your future in the veterinary field.

If you have any questions at all please feel free to contact us at dvmprospective@osu.edu or 614-292-1171.

Ohio State College of Veterinary Medicine at a Glance

- **Year founded:** 1885
- **Ranking:** Fifth in the nation among veterinary schools
- **Clients:** More than 35,000 patients each year representing a wide range of species including companion, farm, and equine animals
- **Enrollment:** Approximately 620 professional students (largest in the nation)
- **Faculty:** 130
- **Degrees offered:** Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM); MS and PhD in Comparative and Veterinary Medicine; Master of Public Health (MPH) with a specialization in Veterinary Public Health (in partnership with the College of Public Health)
- **Alumni:** 9,400 alumni practice in all 50 states and 40 countries
- **Notable discovery:** First feline leukemia vaccine
- **Leading-edge research:** Retroviruses, oncology, food safety, avian influenza, infectious diseases, and advanced neurologic and orthopedic procedures.
About the College of Veterinary Medicine

The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine is ranked fifth in the nation among veterinary schools according to U.S. News & World Report’s “Best Graduate Schools.” The college includes more than 1,000 faculty, staff, and students in the Departments of Veterinary Biosciences, Veterinary Clinical Sciences and Veterinary Preventive Medicine. Located on a six-acre mini campus within one of the largest universities in the United States, the College of Veterinary Medicine includes three academic and research buildings, one of the country’s largest veterinary teaching hospitals and affiliated off-campus facilities.

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

The Ohio State College of Veterinary Medicine offers a four-year Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree that educates students in the broad field of veterinary medicine, encourages critical and analytical thinking, and prepares students for lifelong learning and professional growth.

The curriculum consists of core and elective courses that foster development within the professional area that students select for their careers. The core courses represent the major part of the veterinary program for the first three years of study and provide the necessary background in animal physiology and treatment of animal diseases on an organ-system basis.

Electives permit students to study areas of special interest at the college and university in approved programs offered at other off-campus facilities. Fourth-year veterinary students receive clinical experience in all parts of the hospital.
College Facilities

- The Veterinary Medical Center, a comprehensive referral center for veterinary practitioners offering 24-hour emergency care, includes:
  - the Hospital for Companion Animals
  - the Hospital for Farm Animals
  - the Galbreath Equine Center
- Veterinary Medicine Academic Building, nearly 10,000 square feet of space, including research labs, classrooms, a library and computer lab
- Sisson Hall, home to the Department of Veterinary Preventive Medicine
- Goss Lab, home to the Department of Veterinary Biosciences

Off-campus Facilities

- Ohio State Large Animal Services in Marysville, OH
- Food Animal Health Research Program in Wooster, OH, at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center
- Finley Farm, a 133-acre teaching and research farm
- Animal Emergency Hospital in Dublin, OH, open 24 hours a day for emergencies.

The Ohio State Medical Campus

Ohio State’s College of Veterinary Medicine is part of one of the largest and most comprehensive health sciences centers in the country. Ohio State’s medical colleges include:

- Dentistry
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Public Health
- Veterinary Medicine

Clinical Skills Lab

A state-of-the-art Clinical and Professional Skills lab is slated to open at The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine in August 2018.

The first-ever veterinary educational lab of its kind at Ohio State, the clinical skills lab is designed to offer first- and second-year students an opportunity to start developing clinical and professional skills early in their program with interactive experiences that emphasize active learning.

“The goal is to give students hands-on clinical practice and empower students to gain mastery of their abilities at their own pace,” said Dr. Tatiana Motta, who is overseeing the lab’s development. Dr. Motta is assistant professor of Companion Animal Surgery in the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences.

“Our aim is to graduate students who are ready to practice deeper-thinking and work on all levels of complexity once they enter clinical practice,” she said.
Careers in Veterinary Medicine

As a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, you’ll have a range of employment opportunities after graduation. About 70 percent of veterinarians enter some form of private practice. However, many veterinarians are involved in preventive medicine, regulatory veterinary medicine, military veterinary medicine, laboratory animal medicine, industrial research and development, and teaching and research in a variety of basic science and clinical specialty disciplines.

**Private Practice**: either general practice or specialty fields such as ophthalmology, orthopedics, aquatic animal medicine, marine biology, wildlife animal medicine, or emergency animal medicine.

**Corporate Veterinary Medicine**: corporations that provide veterinary care, test human drugs for safety, or produce animal-related products.

**Federal Government**: work with USDA, NIH, CDC, and FDA on biosecurity, environmental quality, public health, meat inspection, regulatory medicine, and agriculture animal health.

**U.S. Army Corps and U.S. Air Force**: work with food safety and military working dogs as well as receive special training.

**Research**: either in a university setting or with companies that produce animal-related products or pharmaceuticals.

**Academia**: working at a college or university.

**Public Health**: work with government agencies to control the transmission of zoonotic diseases.

**Public Policy**: work for governments on animal and zoonotic diseases, animal welfare, public health issues, or as consultants with non-government agencies.

**Shelter Medicine**: working with communities and agencies to ensure the health and well-being of animals housed in shelters.
Why Study Veterinary Medicine at Ohio State?

The Veterinary Medical Center

- Largest veterinary medical center in Ohio and surrounding area; three separate hospitals – Hospital for Companion Animals, Hospital for Farm Animals and Galbreath Equine Center
- Full range of specialty services, including veterinary behavior, internal medicine, dermatology, neurology, cardiology, ophthalmology, oncology, surgery, and theriogenology
- Food animal opportunities including a large ambulatory field service practice serving 18 counties
- Partnership with the Capital Area Humane Society where all students participate in a fourth-year clinical rotation in shelter medicine and surgery
- The Galbreath Equine Center offers an equine treadmill and sports medicine expertise, as well as a robust equine field service practice
- More than 35,000 animal patients per year and an animal blood bank that provides blood products to veterinary hospitals across the country

Our DVM Program and Curriculum

- Consistently ranks among the top five veterinary schools in the nation
- Dedicated, highly-skilled and experienced faculty, including leading-edge educators, scientists and clinical specialists
- Internationally known surgeons, clinicians, educators and researchers
- Curriculum flexibility allows students to pursue their clinical interests through elective courses; Fourth-year students have the opportunity to select a “Career Area of Emphasis” (CAE) for their senior rotations
- Accredited veterinary public health master’s degree program (MPH) – concurrent with DVM option
- Top-ranked graduate program in Comparative and Veterinary Medicine
- Ohio State now offers the only business minor in the country designed for graduate students majoring in the health professions
Why Study Veterinary Medicine at Ohio State?

Outside the Classroom

• More than 35 student clubs and organizations—from shelter medicine to theriogenology. Clubs are a great way to get hands-on and leadership experiences outside the classroom, with wet labs covering a variety of topics.

• The Office of Professional Programs has a strong commitment to providing support for veterinary students:
  - Office of Career Management
  - 2 Full-time counselor – personal counseling, health and wellness
  - Financial Aid Advisor
  - Professional Development
  - Peer Tutoring Program
  - Office of Professional Program Support
  - Office of Teaching & Learning

Research

• The Veterinary Scholar Summer Research Program includes:
  - A robust summer research program, including grant support for summer research opportunities
  - International learning research in Spain, Ethiopia, Brazil, Thailand and other countries

• The research environments available for veterinary students include a diverse array of opportunities.

• The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine is at the forefront of the “One Health Initiative,” which studies the links between animal health, human health and environmental health.

• Ohio State’s College of Veterinary Medicine is part of the largest and most comprehensive health science centers in the country.
Application Requirements

Application Checklist

☐ Completion of prerequisite courses
☐ VMCAS application
☐ Academic transcripts

☐ 3 Letters of recommendation
☐ Supplemental Application

Prerequisite Courses

Admission to Ohio State’s College of Veterinary Medicine requires completion of the prerequisites, or their equivalents, from any accredited college or university. All of the prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the summer term preceding the autumn term when you would start vet school. (You do not need to have all of the prerequisites completed before applying.)

• A grade of C or better must be earned in all prerequisite course work. Courses can be completed at any accredited college or university as long as the courses are determined to be equivalent to our required courses by the Office of Graduate and Professional Admissions.

• We do not accept grades for any science courses 10 years or older. However, if you are able to prove advanced coursework or career use of the scientific information that supports your mastery of the content covered in these courses, you may submit (along with your application) a letter of petition.

• You must have a 3.0 or higher overall GPA to be eligible for admission. If you have any questions about GPA, please contact us at DVMprospective@osu.edu or 614-292-1171.

VMCAS Application

All applicants are required to apply online through the Association of American Veterinary Medical College’s (AAVMC) Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS). Applicants can begin submitting their VMCAS applications in May. The submission deadline is typically mid-September. For more information, visit aavmc.org.
Application Requirements

Academic Transcripts

Students who complete a VMCAS application are required to submit all their official transcripts to AAVMC by September 1st. Please visit AAVMC's website for more information on transcript verification: aavmc.org/transcriptver.aspx

*Applicants that are offered a seat will be required to submit final transcripts to The Ohio State University by July 1st.

Supplemental Application

Applicants who designate The Ohio State University on the electronic VMCAS application are required to complete a supplemental application.

You will not receive the supplemental application email until your VMCAS application has been completed and transcripts are verified. Once you have the email verification, you have one week to complete. There are no essay questions on the supplemental application and an applicant should be able to complete the application in about a half-hour. There is a non-refundable application fee of $60 to be paid electronically, upon submission of the application.

Strong Letters of Recommendation

The College of Veterinary Medicine requires a total of three letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a veterinarian. Letters of recommendation must be submitted electronically through the Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS) and have the same deadline as the VMCAS application. You should request letters from individuals who know you well enough to thoroughly and accurately comment on your ability to be successful in veterinary school. Letters of recommendation from family members will not be accepted.

Personal Interview

After an evaluation of each applicant’s file, academic record and non-academic portions of the application, a point value is assigned. This value will determine which applicants will be invited for a personal interview.

For those who qualify for an interview, the interview is typically 30 minutes with two interviewers. The personal interview will be used to clarify any issues arising from the academic and non-academic evaluation, and to assess the applicant’s maturity, motivation, communication skills, knowledge of the profession, and desire to contribute to society through veterinary medicine.

If you have questions, please contact dvmprospective@osu.edu or call 614-292-1171.
Presenting a Competitive Application

Because the number of applicants exceeds the number of spaces available in each class, the college utilizes a holistic and selective admission process. Applicants are evaluated on academic profiles and other non-cognitive factors, including motivation and commitment to the profession, character, communication and interpersonal skills, leadership ability, veterinary experience, animal exposure, and knowledge of the profession. The admissions committee is looking for well-rounded students with a passion for people, animals, science and learning. Each applicant is considered based on a combination of factors, which include:

**Academic Background**

Applicants should have a strong overall GPA in undergraduate/graduate coursework and required science prerequisite courses.

- Minimum Overall GPA: 3.0 average or above
- Competitive Overall GPA: 3.6 average or above
- Competitive Science/Math GPA: 3.6 average or above

**Community/Volunteer Service, Work and Leadership Experience**

The College of Veterinary Medicine is looking for applicants who are involved in community service and extracurricular activities throughout their academic years. Applicants should have community and volunteer service with humans. The degree of involvement will be taken into consideration as well as the contribution of welfare to others.

**Letters of Recommendation**

The College of Veterinary Medicine requires a total of three letters of recommendation. While VMCAS allows you to submit 6 letters of recommendation, we will only review 3. At least one letter must be from a veterinarian. Letters of recommendation must be submitted electronically through the Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS) and have the same deadline as the VMCAS application. Letters of recommendation from family will not be accepted.

**Veterinary and Animal Experience**

- Volunteer or work with a veterinarian(s) to gain a realistic perspective of the profession
- Gain experience with a variety of veterinary career paths to develop your knowledge of the profession
- Experience should be of appropriate breadth and depth in order to gain an appreciation for and understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the veterinarian and the scope of veterinary medicine
- Work with a variety of animal species (large and small animals, food animals, equine, exotic and research, etc.)

**Leadership Ability, Communication and Interpersonal Skills**

- Leadership ability can be demonstrated in many ways, such as positions of responsibility in employment, church, community, and school organizations including coaching, tutoring, mentoring and sports
- Applicants must be able to communicate effectively and possess skills to express their thoughts and ideas
- Applicants must have strong interpersonal skills and work experience with diverse groups of people
**Prerequisite Courses**

Admission to the Ohio State’s College of Veterinary Medicine requires completion of the prerequisites listed below, or their equivalents, from any accredited college or university.

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<td>Biochemistry*</td>
<td>3-10</td>
<td>BIOCHEM 4511</td>
<td>If Biochemistry is taught as a two-part sequence, both parts are required. Lab is not required.</td>
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<td>Microbiology*</td>
<td>3-5</td>
<td>MICROBIO 4000</td>
<td>Lab is required.</td>
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<td>Physiology**</td>
<td>5-10</td>
<td>PHYSIO 3200 or ANIMSCI 3140 (for Ohio State Animal Science students)</td>
<td>Physiology can be awarded for a single intro-level Human or Animal Physiology course covering all systems, or a two part combined Anatomy &amp; Physiology sequence (2 qtrs or 2 sems; Must have both courses to fulfill). Lab is not required.</td>
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<td>Public Speaking (Communication)</td>
<td>3-5</td>
<td>COMM 2110 or 2131 or AGCOMM 3130 (for Ohio State Animal Science students)</td>
<td>Basics of public speaking &amp; critical thinking. This should be a public speaking course.</td>
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<td>Science Electives***</td>
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<td>Includes, but not limited to: Biology, chemistry, anatomy, immunology, cell biology, molecular genetics, animal science, ecology, environmental science or other science courses.</td>
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<td>Humanities/Social Science Electives</td>
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<td>Includes, but not limited to: History, economics, anthropology, psychology, art, music, literature, languages, writing and ethics.</td>
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The number of hours provided is a guideline. In assessing course content for equivalency, actual hours may vary for your institution. In some cases a multiple course series may be needed to fulfill prerequisite coursework. If you are unsure of whether or not a course will be accepted to fulfill a prerequisite, please review the information under ‘Additional Guidelines’.

*Prerequisite Courses - All of the prerequisite courses must have been completed within the past 10 years.

+At some institutions, the prerequisite for Biochemistry is general and/or organic chemistry.

**Note:** Physiology course work must be a comprehensive, intermediate systems physiology series. All systems are required: musculoskeletal, neurology, urinary/renal, endocrine, reproductive, digestive, cardiovascular, and respiratory. At some institutions, two physiology or physiology/anatomy courses are needed to meet this requirement.
ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES

Prerequisite Courses – Biochemistry, Microbiology, Physiology, and Communication coursework must be completed with: (1) a grade of C or better in each course, (2) a minimum of 3.0 (B) average among the courses, and (3) no more than one C among any of the capstone courses.

- If any of the capstone courses are taken as a multiple-part series, this rule will apply to each part as an individual course.
- All the prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the summer term preceding the autumn term when you would start vet school. You do not have to have all the prerequisites completed before applying.

Advanced Placement – To receive credit for AP courses, they must be listed on official transcripts from a college or university you have attended.

Ten Year Course Work Rule – If any science prerequisites are older than ten years, the applicant must either report course work in that specific area or submit convincing evidence of current mastery in the appropriate science to the Admissions Committee. The applicant must prove they have current experience to show they have maintained knowledge in the field.

Prerequisite Evaluation – Professional Admissions at Ohio State offers free coursework evaluations for students attending other institutions to provide assistance in selecting and taking coursework that meets our prerequisite requirements. If you would like to request a prerequisite evaluation, please complete the prerequisite evaluation form. For course equivalency questions, please contact OSU Professional Admissions Office at professional@osu.edu or (614) 292-9444 or visit their website at: http://professional.osu.edu

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Common prerequisite courses for Ohio schools can be found here: http://admissions.osu.edu/standards/programs.aspx?prog=42

If you have any questions about the prerequisite courses, please contact us at: dvmprospective@osu.edu

If you have any questions about course equivalency, please contact Ohio State Professional Admissions Office:
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Phone: (614) 292-9444
Website: professional.osu.edu
## DVM Program Curriculum

### First Year

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<td>VPM I: Introduction to Epidemiology and Population Systems</td>
<td>Gross Anatomy 2 (Horse, Cow)</td>
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<td>Comparative Biology of Disease 1: General Pathology and Immunology</td>
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<td>Introduction to Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging</td>
<td>Comparative Biology of Disease 2: Animal Pathogens</td>
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<td>Comparative Structure and Function of Tissues</td>
<td>Principles of Veterinary Pharmacology</td>
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<td>Structure and Function of Cells</td>
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<td>Clinical Reasoning and Decision-Making</td>
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<td>Introduction to Comparative Veterinary Ophthalmology</td>
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<td>Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Medicine</td>
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<td>Small Animal Internal Medicine</td>
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<td>Cardiology</td>
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<td>Equine Field Service</td>
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Cost of Attendance

The Cost of Attendance (COA) is a figure determined by Ohio State and the College of Veterinary Medicine every year. The COA represents the annual estimated cost of the DVM program, and considers tuition, books and supplies, housing, meals, etc., in the total. *Note, the COA does not include Student Health Insurance. If you are planning on using the University-offered insurance, be sure to account for that in your personal budget.

*Estimated Costs of Attendance First year only (August-May)

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<td>Clinical Education Fee</td>
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<td>Non-Resident Fee</td>
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<td><strong>$31,175</strong></td>
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| Total Cost of Attendance (Ohio residents) | **$52,814** |
| Total Non Res Cost of Attendance (non-residence) | **$91,190** |

Non-resident students can apply for residency after completing their first year of veterinary school for tuition purposes. For more information go to registrar.osu.edu/Residency or call 614-292-0300.

*Please Note: This is an estimated cost of attendance and is subject to change at any time.*
Financial Aid and Budget Breakdown

The College of Veterinary Medicine and the Office of Student Financial Aid at The Ohio State University are committed to providing help and information to our students with the financial aid process. The financial aid awarding philosophy of the College of Veterinary Medicine also reflects the college’s commitment to provide financial aid assistance to students in the form of scholarships, grants, and loans whenever possible.

Scholarships

Many scholarships at the College of Veterinary Medicine have been established through gifts from alumni, friends and other sources of private support. A number of these carry eligibility criteria in addition to financial need, as well as preferences based on the donors’ interests in animal health, the college and our students. For a list of scholarships, please go to: vet.osu.edu/education/scholarships

Financial Aid

Meeting the cost of a professional education can be challenging and requires careful planning. Our Financial Aid staff is dedicated to helping veterinary students meet these needs and to guiding them through the complexities of applying for financial assistance.

Each year, the Office of Student Financial Planning prepares a nine-month student expense budget defining standard allowances for education costs of professional students.

Residency

Non-residents can apply for residency after their first year for tuition purposes. If you have questions about residency, contact the Student Service Center at 614-292-0300, email SSC@osu.edu or review the Ohio Board of Regents guidelines on the registrar’s website at registrar.osu.edu/residency

Contacting Financial Aid

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Dates and Deadlines

**Mid May:** VMCAS application is available.

**August 17:** Get S.E.T. for verification day – VMCAS recommends that you get S.E.T. for verification by making sure VMCAS receives the following data from you BEFORE the September 17th deadline.

- **S:** E-Submit your VMCAS application & application fee
- **E:** Have all three (3) required electronic letters of recommendation received by VMCAS
- **T:** Make sure VMCAS has ALL of your required transcripts

**September 1:** Transcripts are due to VMCAS.

**September 17 at midnight:** VMCAS application deadline. Please note: this deadline is firm!

**October 1:** Supplemental application is due one week after you receive the email link to the application.

**April 15:** Deadline for accept/decline decision.

**Please note:** We highly recommend that you submit your VMCAS application by August 15, this increases your chances of being verified before the September 15th deadline! Verification can take up to four (4) weeks.

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**Send transcripts to:**
VMCAS – Transcripts
P.O. Box 9162
Waterman, MA 02471

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