

TRANSFER INFORMATION

We appreciate your interest in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign.

The following information is specifically provided for students who:

- *will **have completed one full year of veterinary education** prior to their desired entrance to the University of Illinois,
- *are **in good standing** at their current veterinary institution,
- *are **interested in entering our second year class** (Class of 2013) in August 2010.

The College of Veterinary Medicine considers applications from prospective transfer students on a case-by-case basis. Decisions about transfer admissions are made **no sooner than June 15 of each year**. We accept qualified students into our **second year class only**. We offer admission to a very limited number of students and the number of seats available each year is determined in a manner that allows us to maintain a stable class size.

Each completed, qualified transfer application is carefully considered and **decisions made by the College Admissions Advisory Committee are final**.

TRANSFER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be considered eligible for consideration:

1. The applicant must have completed all of the pre-veterinary education pre-requisite courses required (at a regionally accredited college or university) of traditionally admitted, first year University of Illinois veterinary students. The pre-requisite science courses must be graded with no grade lower than a C- achieved.
2. The applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75/4.0 (2.0 = C) in all undergraduate course work, as well as current veterinary school course work. Likewise, a 2.75/4.0 (2.0 = C) average is the minimum grade point average acceptable in science coursework.
3. The applicant must be available to complete the unique University of Illinois first year clinical experience during the summer prior to enrollment in our second year curriculum.

Published prerequisite requirements for traditional admission to the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Illinois are as follows:

Plan A: Applicants who have earned a B.S. or B.A. degree in any major field of study from an accredited college or university may qualify to be considered for transfer under Plan A.

- a. Eight semester hours of biological sciences with laboratories.
- b. Sixteen semester hours of chemical sciences, including biochemistry; inorganic and organic chemistry must have laboratories (a minimum of 3 semester hours of chemical science laboratories are required).
- c. Eight semester hours of physics with laboratories.

Plan B: Individuals may apply without a B.S. or B.A. degree, but they are required to have at least 60 semester hours from an accredited college or university, including 44 hours of science courses. The minimum course requirements under Plan B are:

- a. Eight semester hours of biological sciences with laboratories.
- b. Sixteen semester hours of chemical sciences, including biochemistry; inorganic and organic chemistry must have laboratories (3 semester hours of chemical science laboratories are required).
- c. Eight semester hours of physics with laboratories.
- d. Three semester hours of English composition and an additional three hours of English composition and/or speech.
- e. Twelve semester hours of humanities and/or social sciences.
- f. Twelve semester hours of junior-/senior-level (or graduate-level) science courses in addition to the requirements listed above. These courses could include, but are not limited to, any of the following: advanced biology, anatomy, genetics, microbiology, physiology, zoology.

Content descriptions of the pre-requisite science courses are as follows:

Biological sciences: These courses should emphasize the molecular basis for heredity, evolution, development, and the structure and function of cells, organisms, and populations. Additional course work in anatomy, physiology, microbiology, immunology, cell and molecular biology, advanced biology, and genetics is encouraged.

Chemistry: Laboratory work and familiarity with quantitative techniques are important aspects of this experience. The biochemistry course should have an organic chemistry pre-requisite and should emphasize the chemistry and metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, nucleic acids, vitamins, and coenzymes and their role in the regulation of cellular processes.

Physics: These courses should include the topics of mechanics, heat, sound, light, electricity, and magnetism, with appropriate laboratories.

****If you have questions about the acceptability of any of your prerequisite courses, please address your inquiry to admissions@vetmed.illinois.edu**

CHECKLIST FOR TRANSFER APPLICATION

The following materials must be received no later than May 31, 2010

- _____ Completed Application for Transfer Admission
- _____ Official copies of all undergraduate transcripts (and post-graduate transcripts if applicable)
- _____ Official copy of current veterinary education transcript
- _____ Letter of “good standing” from your current veterinary college
- _____ Two letters of recommendation – at least one must be from a veterinarian. Please list the individuals who will be submitting letters below:
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
- _____ Application fee of \$65.00 in the form of a personal or cashier’s check made payable to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

To be considered for transfer admission your materials MUST be sent to the following address:

Transfer Admissions

The College of Veterinary Medicine

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2271 G Veterinary Medicine Basic Sciences Building, MC-002

2001 So. Lincoln Avenue

Urbana, Illinois 61802

QUESTIONS? Call 217-244-5643 or write to admissions@vetmed.illinois.edu

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

TRANSFER APPLICATION

Important Information

Please carefully read the Transfer Application Information that is included with this application package so that you understand the details of the program. **Failure to follow the instructions below could delay or cancel the processing of your application.**

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5. The applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75/4.0 (2.0 = C) in all undergraduate course work, as well as current veterinary school course work. Likewise, a 2.75/4.0 (2.0 = C) average is the minimum grade point average acceptable in science coursework.
6. The applicant must be available to complete the unique University of Illinois first year clinical experience during the summer prior to enrollment in our second year curriculum.

Personal Statement: *Your personal statement must be prepared using a minimum of a 12-point font and one inch margins. Use the Personal Statement page provided with the application and copy if necessary. The statement should not exceed two (2) pages.* Your statement should discuss:

1. ***Brief and focused*** statement about why you have selected to pursue a career in veterinary medicine.
2. Your current thoughts about what area of veterinary medicine you wish to contribute to after graduation.
3. A couple of comments about what you learned about the science and medicine of the veterinary profession through externships, employment, and volunteer experiences with veterinarians.
4. Why are you requesting this transfer?
5. Other information you would like us to consider that you think is important to this application.

Explanation Page: You may use the explanation page, which is included with the application, to provide additional information about Item 23 (Veterinary/Animal Experience), Item 24 (Animal Experience), Item 25 (Employment History), Item 27 (Honors and Awards) and Item 28 (Extracurricular and Community Activities). The same rules for formatting the Personal statement apply to the Explanation Page.

Letters of Recommendation: Two letters of recommendation are required, and must be submitted with your application. **One letter must be from a veterinarian.** Each letter should be enclosed in a sealed, business envelope with the evaluator's signature across the flap of the envelope.

Letter of Good Standing: A sealed statement by an official of your current veterinary school that indicates you are currently a student in good standing must also be submitted with your application.

Submission of Transcripts: You must submit official transcripts for **ALL** course work taken (all undergraduate colleges and post-graduate colleges attended, as well as your current veterinary school) in labeled official institutional envelopes. The transcript(s) submitted must match the institutions listed in Item 31.

To be considered complete an application must include the following:

1. The completed transfer application.
2. Personal statement.
3. Explanation page, if needed.
4. Two sealed letters of recommendation (only two will be accepted).
5. Statement of good standing from your current veterinary school.
6. All official transcripts.
7. Application fee of \$65.00 in the form of a personal or cashier's check made payable to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Deadline: Applicants are encouraged to apply as early as possible. For an application to be valid, it must be postmarked on or before **May 31, 2010**. We strongly recommend that all materials be mailed over-night if being mailed near the May 31, 2010 deadline. ***There will be NO exceptions.***

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Statement on a Safe Environment: The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is committed to maintaining a safe environment for all members of the university community. As part of this commitment, the University requires applicants who are under current indictment, or have been convicted of a crime (other than a routine traffic offense or in a juvenile proceeding), to disclose this information is a mandatory step in the application process. A previous conviction or current indictment does not automatically bar admission to the University, but does require review. Complete information must be sent by certified mail at the time of the application for admission to: Review Committee, 300 Student Services Building, University of Illinois, 601 East John Street, Champaign, IL 61820. Applicants are responsible for verifying receipt by the University and for maintaining a copy of the receipt certifying submission. Information to be submitted includes: a brief explanation, location (city, state, country) of conviction or current indictment, dates and court disposition, in English. This statement must also include a grant of permission to the University for complete access to criminal records, if any. For further information on this requirement, call (217) 333-0050.

For more information about the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, please visit our website: <http://vetmed.illinois.edu>

If you have questions about this application please contact us at 217-244-5643 or admissions@vetmed.illinois.edu

INSTRUCTIONS

Following are instructions for completing the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine Transfer Application. Some items are not referenced because they are self-explanatory or because the application form provides sufficient information.

Item 1. Provide your full legal last, first, and middle names. Do not use nicknames or parentheses to set off alternate names.

Item 2. Complete this item only if you know you have used an alternate name on previous academic records. If any part of your alternate name is different from Item 1, enter all parts of your alternate name, i.e. you are currently using a married name that may not appear on one of your transcripts.

Item 3. Use the space provided to report your current e-mail address.

Item 4. You will be notified of the outcome of the application on or before June 30, 2010

Item 5. If your permanent address is also the current address you entered in Item 5, leave this item blank.

Item 9. You may indicate your race by checking one or more of the statements that apply to you. Your response(s) to this item is optional and will be treated confidentially.

Item 12. To be completed only by applicants who are not U.S. Citizens.

Items 14-21. Information in these items **MUST** be completed. If a parent is deceased you need only circle the word deceased and leave the subsequent data boxes blank.

Item 22. The veterinary experiences you report in this item should relate to any veterinary clinical, agribusiness, health science or research experience that you have had with veterinarians, other health scientists or other professionals. This should include all voluntary, paid or academic experiences, beginning with the most recent. If necessary, use the explanation page to list additional experiences.

Item 23. The animal experiences provided for this item should be separate from those entered in Item 23. They should include experiences such as farm and/or ranch background, family pets, 4H membership, animal training, or other similar activities. These experiences should be independent of those that occurred under the supervision of health professionals. If necessary, use the explanation page to list additional experiences.

Item 24. Include all paid employment beginning with your most recent job.

Items 26 and 27. Because space is limited, list those items you feel are *most* important first.

Item 28 – 30. Respond completely to all parts of this item. All institutions that you have attended must be listed here, including profession/graduate schools. **Official transcripts from all institutions listed in Item 30 must be included with your application** in sealed official institutional envelopes. The institution's seal, or official signature, must be present over the sealed flap of the envelope for each transcript.

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The Admissions Advisory Committee will not evaluate transfer applications until mid to late June each year. Decisions will be communicated no later than June 30, 2010.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER ADMISSION
2010

Application period January 1, 2010 – May 31, 2010

Please read the application instructions carefully, type or complete the items neatly with a dark pen, enter your name on each page following this one, and sign the application.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. WHAT IS YOUR FULL LEGAL NAME?			
a. Last			
b. First		c. Middle	
2. ANY OTHER NAME ON PREVIOUS ACADEMIC RECORDS?			
a. Last			
b. First		c. Middle	
3. E-MAIL ADDRESS		CONFIRM E-MAIL ADDRESS	
4. CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS, since _____ / _____ MO YR			
a. Number and Street			
b. Address Line 2			
c. City	d. State		e. ZIP Code
f. Current until _____ / _____ MO YR	g. County	Country (if not USA)	Current Phone No(s). Day () - Evening () -
5. PERMANENT ADDRESS (if different from Item 4), since _____ / _____ MO YR			
b. Address Line 2			
b. Address Line 2			
c. City	d. State		e. ZIP Code
f. County	g. Country		h. Permanent Phone No. () -

OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION

6. DATE OF BIRTH (mo/day/year)	7. AGE TODAY	8. GENDER Male Female
9. WHAT IS YOUR ETHNIC IDENTITY? (optional)		
<p>A. Ethnicity (circle one) Hispanic Non-Hispanic</p> <p>B. Race (circle as many as apply)</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Caucasian/Middle Eastern</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">African American/Black</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">American Indian/Alaskan native</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Asian</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Other</p>		

10. PLACE OF BIRTH			
a. City	b. State	c. County	d. Country (if not USA)
11. U.S. CITIZENSHIP			
a. Are you a U.S. citizen? 1. Male 2. Female		a. If yes, what is the state of your legal residence?	
12. OTHER CITIZENSHIP			
a. If not a U.S. citizen, what is your country of citizenship?			
b. If not a U.S. citizen, what is your status? 1. Immigrant/permanent U.S. resident 2. Refugee 3. Non-Immigrant			
c. What is your U.S. State of Legal Residence?		d. How long have you lived in this state? (# years, # months)	
e. When did your residency in this state (13c) begin? / / MO DAY YR			
f. If you are a permanent resident of the U.S., what is your alien registration number?			
g. Where was it issued?			
h. When was it issued?			
i. If you are a non-permanent resident alien, indicate your visa classification.			
13. MILITARY INFORMATION			
a. Are you a veteran of U.S. military service? 1. Yes 2. o			
b. Length of Service? From: / / To: / / MO DAY YR MO DAY YR			
c. What type of discharge/separation did you receive?			
PARENTAL/LEGAL GUARDIAN INFORMATION (for demographic and residency determination only)			
14. NAME OF YOUR FATHER/GUARDIAN			
a. 1. Living 2. Deceased			
b. Last	c. First		d. M.I.
15. FATHER/GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS			
a. City	b. State	c. ZIP Code	
d. County	e. Country	f. () -	
16. FATHER/GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION		17. FATHER/GUARDIAN'S STATE OF LEGAL RESIDENCE	
		State	Since: / / MO DAY YR
18. NAME OF YOUR MOTHER/GUARDIAN			
a. 1. Living 2. Deceased			
b. Last	c. First		d. M.I.
19. MOTHER/GUARDIAN'S ADDRESS			
a. City	b. State	c. ZIP Code	
d. County	e. Country	f. () -	
20. MOTHER/GUARDIAN'S OCCUPATION		22. MOTHER/GUARDIAN'S STATE OF LEGAL RESIDENCE	

NAME – LAST	FIRST

VETERINARY/ANIMAL EXPERIENCE

22. VETERINARY EXPERIENCE: Clinical/Agribusiness/Health Science/Research. (List most recent experience first.) An explanation of your veterinary experience must be incorporated into your personal statement.

Name of Veterinarian/Scientist	City	State	Position	Dates		Total Number Hours
				From MO/YR	From MO/YR	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						
e.						
f.						

23. ANIMAL EXPERIENCE: Provide a brief description of each experience and indicate hours spent. Do not duplicate any entry in Item 23. Discuss and explain your animal experience in your personal statement.

Type of Experience	City	State	Position	Dates		Total Number Hours
				From MO/YR	From MO/YR	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						
e.						
f.						

OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION (If you need more space for the items on this page, continue on the Explanation Sheet.)

24. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: Include paid employment only, including high school, and start with your most recent Job. Do Not include any experiences listed in Items 22 or 23.

Type of Experience	City	State	Position	Dates		Total Number of Hours
				From MO/YR	From MO/YR	
a.						
b.						
c.						
d.						
e.						
f.						

25.
Has there been any interval longer than three months during which you were not enrolled as a student or employed?
1. Yes 2. No If yes, provide an explanation (including the duration and how you spent your time).

26. HONORS AND AWARDS: list and describe honors or awards you have received (include high school). Include granting organization and date received.

	Organization	Dates	
		From MO/YR	From MO/YR
a.			
b.			
c.			
d.			
e.			
f.			

27. EXTRACURRICULAR AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: List and describe extracurricular or community activities in which you were engaged (include high school). Include sports and hobbies.

	Office Held	Dates	
		From MO/YR	From MO/YR
a.			
b.			
c.			
d.			
e.			
f.			

EXPLANATION PAGE: Must use a 12-point font.

PERSONAL STATEMENT: Must use a 12-point font