

study
**VETERINARY
MEDICINE
IN WESTERN
CANADA**



UNIVERSITY OF
SASKATCHEWAN

FALL 2022 ENTRY

U.S. and international student seats
in the WCVM's Doctor of Veterinary
Medicine (DVM) program



our **COLLEGE**

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine (WCVM) is the premier centre of veterinary education, research and clinical expertise in Western Canada. Established in 1963, the WCVM serves as the regional veterinary college for Western Canada and the territories. As one of Canada's five veterinary colleges, the WCVM is a key member of the country's veterinary, public health and food safety networks. The veterinary college is located on the University of Saskatchewan (USask) campus in Saskatoon.

For fall 2022 entry, the WCVM will offer a minimum of five seats in the DVM program.



**Canadian
Light Source**



**VIDO-
InterVac**



**Global
Institute for
Water Security**



**Sylvia Fedoruk
Canadian Centre for
Nuclear Innovation**



**Global
Institute
for Food
Security**



**Toxicology
Centre**

why attend **THE WCVM?**

The top five reasons why the Western College of Veterinary Medicine is the ideal place to achieve your lifelong dream of becoming a veterinarian.

#1

WORLD-CLASS DVM PROGRAM

The WCVM offers its students an internationally-recognized veterinary education program at USask. Our graduates are ready for a broad spectrum of career areas — companion animals, food animals, equine, wildlife, public service, research and industry. Our external partnerships and exchange programs further expand the opportunities available to students.

#2

TOP STUDENTS

A recent analysis of the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE) scores shows that WCVM-educated students are among the top 22nd percentile of DVM graduates worldwide (based on those schools participating in the NAVLE). All veterinary graduates must pass this exam before they can be licensed to practise in North America and in other parts of the world.

#3

TECHNOLOGY AND TALENT

Our veterinary students have exposure to the most advanced animal health technologies, including the latest in medical imaging equipment for large and small animals, a linear accelerator for pet radiation therapy and a new clinical simulation centre.

#4

OUTSTANDING FACULTY AND STAFF

Representing all aspects of biomedical and veterinary sciences, our innovative team of faculty and staff includes individuals who have gained international recognition for their accomplishments in research, clinical expertise and teaching.

#5

THE IDEAL LOCATION

Our geographical position in Western Canada gives us access to a phenomenal and varied caseload that is ideal for educating veterinary students, clinical interns and residents. The WCVM's facilities have undergone extensive renovations, and we can offer veterinary students a comprehensive education at one site without additional travel.



WCVM PROGRAMS

UNDERGRADUATE

- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

GRADUATE/POST-GRADUATE

- Master of Science
- Combined MSc-residency programs
- PhD



The University of
Saskatchewan (USask) has over

25,700

students from

132

countries

Our USask population
includes over

3,400

international students

Our university

As one of Canada's leading research universities, USask has a full complement of health sciences along with faculties of agriculture and bioresources, environment and sustainability, and engineering. USask is also home to Canada's only synchrotron, the Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization-International Vaccine Centre (VIDO-InterVac), the new Livestock and Forage Centre of Excellence (LFCE), and the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation.


One Health

Veterinarians make ideal leaders of One Health, a global initiative for improving animal, human and environmental health through collaboration among all of the health science disciplines. The WCVM plays a unique role in the USask health science group since the college's students, faculty and staff have the knowledge and skills needed to bridge different worlds of health.

Agriculture

Veterinarians are essential to agriculture and production animal health, and the WCVM is well placed to educate new veterinarians in food animal medicine. Saskatchewan and Western Canada are home to vibrant animal agriculture sectors. WCVM students gain experience in food animal health throughout the DVM program and through the WCVM Veterinary Medical Centre's field service practice. The USask College of Agriculture and Bioresources is one of the WCVM's key partners. Faculty members across colleges collaborate on many food animal research projects and contribute to the specialized training of graduate students in animal science and veterinary programs.





USask's historic main campus is recognized as one of the most beautiful in the country, and our city is known as a hidden gem by those who visit and come to call it home. Our campus is found at the heart of the vibrant city of Saskatoon, which has a growing population of more than 270,000 people.

Saskatoon is a welcoming city for newcomers and offers many opportunities to experience Canadian culture — and to celebrate cultures from around the world.

beautiful SASKATOON

Photo: Tourism Saskatoon

As the largest city in the province of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon offers the amenities of a large urban centre, along with the friendliness and accessibility of a smaller city. Here, you can have a true Canadian experience in a city that is safe, affordable and student-friendly.

SASKATCHEWAN ADVANTAGES

Health care

Free Saskatchewan government health insurance is available for full-time students with a valid study permit. As a full-time undergraduate student, you also have access to extended health and dental benefits provided through your student association.

Cost of living

Housing costs in Saskatchewan's cities and communities, including Saskatoon, are lower than in most major cities in Canada. The costs of transportation are also low. If you choose to live off campus, you can take advantage of the reasonably priced, unlimited transit pass included in your student fees.

Quality of life

Achieving balance between one's work, family and social life is a part of Saskatchewan culture. There's always something to do here, from visiting the Remai Modern art gallery to dining at local restaurants. Annual events such as WinterShines, Folkfest and the Fringe Festival help people experience the province's and city's culture.

frequently-asked QUESTIONS

Q. How many seats will be available for international students?

There will be a minimum of five seats available for international students in the fall 2022 entry. In addition, the WCVM has 58 provincially-funded seats allocated to students from British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the Canadian territories.

Q. Who is eligible to apply for international seats?

Citizens or permanent residents of any country other than Canada can apply for the U.S./international seats. Canadians with dual citizenship are eligible to apply, but if they are accepted, they must pay international student tuition and fees for the duration of their program.

Q. How much is tuition for U.S./international students?

Total tuition costs and fees are C\$68,705 (about US\$56,000) per year with equal payments due at the end of September and January (2021-22 rates). Tuition costs are subject to potential annual increases.

Q. What other costs do I need to budget for?

Saskatoon is a relatively affordable city. Dependent on your personal living and accommodation preferences, we estimate that students should be able to live on \$15,000 to \$20,000 CDN (about \$11,000 to \$15,000 US) annually.

Q. How do I apply for an international seat at the WCVM?

U.S. and international applicants must apply by **Sept. 29, 2021**, for fall 2022 entry through the Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS).





WCVM

320+

undergraduate students

150+

graduate students

85+

full-time faculty



Q. What are the academic requirements?

Two full years of university must be completed at the time of application including the following:

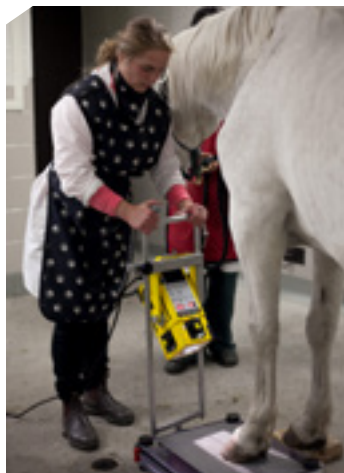
- 6 credits of Biology (lab required)
- 6 credits of Chemistry (lab required)
- 6 credits of English (at least one course must include literature component)
- 6 credits of Mathematics or Statistics
- 3 credits of Organic Chemistry
- 3 credits of Physics (lab required)
- 3 credits of Biochemistry
- 3 credits of Genetics
- 3 credits of Introductory Microbiology
- 21 credits of elective courses

A minimum, overall average of 75 per cent (3.2 GPA) is required.

Visit the WCVM admissions website for the full academic requirements.



Achieve your dream of becoming a veterinarian at the WCVM — a veterinary college that has an international reputation for producing high-quality, practice-ready graduates.



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