Admission Guidelines

The University of Tennessee (UT), founded in 1794, is one of the oldest educational institutions in the country.

The UT College of Veterinary Medicine, established in 1974, is located in Knoxville on the University’s Agricultural Campus along the Tennessee River. The city, the cultural center of East Tennessee, is situated in the Appalachian foothills of east central Tennessee and is 45 minutes from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and three hours from the cultural and recreational opportunities of Nashville and Atlanta. The modern Clyde M. York Veterinary Medicine Building houses teaching and research facilities, the W.W. Armistead Veterinary Medical Center, and the Pendergrass Agriculture-Veterinary Medicine Library.

CURRICULUM (9 semesters- 4year program)

Development of a strong basic science foundation is emphasized in the first year. The second and third years emphasize the study of diseases, their causes, diagnosis, treatment and prevention.

Innovative features of this curriculum include: six weeks of student centered, small group, applied learning exercises in semesters 1-5; three weeks of dedicated clinical experiences in the UT CVM Veterinary Medical Center in semesters 3-5; and elective course opportunities in semesters 4-9 allowing students to focus on specific educational/career goals. In the fourth year (Semester 7-9), students participate exclusively in clinical rotations (27 weeks of required core rotations and 17 weeks of elective rotations) in the UTCVM Veterinary Medical Center and in required externships.

ADMISSION DEPOSIT (none)

TUITION AND FEES (2019-2020)

Resident: $29,336  Non-resident: $56,602

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Priority is given to admitting residents of Tennessee. Admission of non-resident applicants is limited to a maximum of 25. A non-Tennessee applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20 on a 4.00 scale for his/her application to be considered. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade C or better.

The Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test (verbal, quantitative, and analytical) is required, and scores must be received by September 15, 2020. UTK’s GRE code is 2104.

For applicants planning to matriculate into the College in August 2019, results of GRE tests taken prior to December 31, 2015 will not be accepted.

PREREQUISITE COURSES (TOTAL credit hours: 66)

Prerequisite courses to qualify for admission to the college must include:

- General inorganic chemistry with lab (8)
- Organic chemistry with lab (8)
- General biology/zooology with lab (8)
- Cellular biology (3)
- Genetics (3)
- Biochemistry, exclusive of laboratory* (4)
- Physics with lab (8)
- English composition (6)
- Social sciences/humanities (18)

ADMISSION PROCESS (VMCAS)

All applicants must apply through VMCAS. International students must complete the TOEFL in order to be considered for admissions. TOEFL score and international student requirements can be found at http://international.utk.edu. Completed applications are reviewed by an admissions committee. Interviews are required and will be conducted on October 8th & 9th, 2020 for in-state applicants and January 15th & 16th, 2021 for out of state applicants. Applicants should request information from the College and visit our web site for complete details about the current admission requirements.

SIZE OF ENTERING CLASS: 85

DEADLINE DATE: September 15, 2020 by 11:59 PM EDT

CLASSES BEGIN: August 2021
Class Orientation: Beginning of August 2021

SUPPLEMENTAL PROCESSING FEE $45

The University of Tennessee requires a processing fee to develop and maintain each applicant’s computerized database. Do not send this fee to VMCAS.

You will be contacted by The University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine after VMCAS forwards your application to the College. There is a very short required supplemental application available on the College’s website to complete. An optional Hardship/Disadvantage Statement is also available to include in your application. If you do not have access to the web, the supplemental application will be sent to you when we receive your VMCAS application.

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* This should be a complete upper-division course in general cellular and comparative biochemistry. Half of a two-semester sequence will not satisfy this requirement.
Applicants are strongly encouraged to take additional biological and physical science courses especially comparative anatomy, mammalian physiology, microbiology with laboratory, and statistics.

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