



VMCAS SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION
Atlantic Veterinary College, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
University of Prince Edward Island

This form is due no later than **November 1st, 2010** from individuals applying for admission to the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program starting in September, 2011.

NAME: _____ **DATE of BIRTH:** _____

Have you previously applied to our DVM program? _____ **If yes, in which year?** _____
Have you been previously invited for an interview at the AVC? _____

I. CITIZENSHIP

Your country of citizenship (please advise if you hold dual citizenship with another country)

II. General Animal Care and Veterinary-Related Animal Care Experience

In the table provided, detail your experiences involving animal care that you have participated in during the last five years. Experiences may involve general animal care or veterinary-related animal care (i.e. animal care provided by a veterinarian and/or occurring in a veterinary practice). The maximum number of experiences permitted is 10. Additional experiences will not be evaluated.

Each experience must include the following information:

- name and location of where experience was completed
- contact name with telephone number or email address
- category of experience (indicate one per experience):
 - A. General animal care
 - B. Veterinary-related animal care
- species classification (indicate all that apply for each experience):
 1. Dogs and cats
 2. Other small companion animals (rabbits, guinea pigs, etc.)
 3. Horses
 4. Cattle
 5. Other production animals (swine, sheep, goats, camelids, etc.)
 6. Wildlife, zoo and exotic animals
 7. Laboratory animals
 8. Birds
 9. Aquatic animals
 10. Other
- start and end dates (including month and year)
- number of hours devoted to experience up until November 1st of Admission Year
- specific responsibilities (limit this description to 100 words maximum)

At the end of the table below, please also indicate the TOTAL number of hours for EACH of the two categories of experiences.

You will be evaluated based on the number of experiences listed, the type of experiences, the time spent at each experience, the variety of species classifications represented, your level of responsibility at each experience, the extent of your personal involvement in each experience, and your ability to communicate in writing.

By submitting this information, applicants give the Registrar's Office and the Atlantic Veterinary College Admissions Committee the right to contact any person or organization listed for further information, clarification, and/or verification of facts provided.

#1	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#2	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#3	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	

Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	
#4	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#5	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#6	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	

Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#7	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#8	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#9	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	

Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#10	
Name and location of experience:	
Contact name for experience with phone number or email address:	
Category of experience (Indicate A or B, see instructions above):	
Species classification for experience (Indicate 1 through 10, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for experience (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours devoted to experience:	
Description of responsibilities:	

TOTAL number of hours devoted to ALL category A (i.e. general animal care) experiences:	
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TOTAL number of hours devoted to ALL category B (i.e. veterinary-related animal care) experiences:	
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III. Extra- and Co-Curricular Activities

In the table provided, detail your extra- and co-curricular activities that you have participated in during the last five years. Do not repeat experiences/activities that were previously listed in Section II (General Animal Care and Veterinary-Related Animal Care Experiences). The maximum number of activities permitted is 10. Additional activities will not be evaluated.

Each activity must include the following information:

- name and location of where activity was completed
- contact name with telephone number or email address (if not identified, the activity will not be assessed)
- category of activity (indicate one per activity):
 - A. Employment
 - B. Voluntary community service
 - C. Other voluntary (i.e. unpaid) activities including sports, games, clubs, committees, performing arts, hobbies, etc.
- start and end dates (including month and year)
- number of hours spent participating in activity up until November 1st of Admission Year
- specific details and/or responsibilities relating to the activity (limit this description to 100 words maximum)

At the end of the table below, please also indicate the TOTAL number of hours for EACH of the three categories of activities.

You will be evaluated based on the number of activities listed, the types of activities listed, the time spent at each activity, your experiences with group work and in organizations, and your leadership experiences.

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#1	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#2	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#3	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	

Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#4	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#5	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#6	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	

Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#7	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#8	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#9	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	

Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

#10	
Name and location of activity:	
Contact name for activity with phone number or email address:	
Category of activity (Indicate A, B or C, see instructions above):	
Start and end dates for activity (include month and year):	
Approximate number of hours spent participating in activity:	
Description of responsibilities:	

TOTAL number of hours devoted to ALL category A (i.e. employment) activities:	
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TOTAL number of hours devoted to ALL category B (i.e. voluntary community service) activities:	
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TOTAL number of hours devoted to ALL category C (i.e. other voluntary) activities:	
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IV. COURSE PREREQUISITES

The following 20 undergraduate courses must be completed or in progress before applications will be considered. Use this table to ensure you have, or will have, at least 3 semester hours of credit with a grade on the transcript except as noted in #7 of the prerequisite criteria listed below:

SUBJECT required	Specification(s)
4 BIOLOGY courses: 1 in Genetics, 1 in Microbiology, 2 Animal Biology electives	These courses are weighted as 30% of the grade calculation. The other 16 courses constitute a 70% weighting.
2 MATHEMATICS courses: 1 in Statistics 1 Math elective	Two statistics courses can be used.

3 CHEMISTRY courses: 1 in Organic 2 Chemistry electives	Biochemistry courses are normally considered “Chemistry” as opposed to “Biology”
1 PHYSICS course	Bio-physics is normally a Physics course.
2 ENGLISH courses: 1 in Composition 1 English elective	English courses that include intensive writing may meet the composition requirement (must be specified in the Calendar description).
3 HUMANITIES/SOCIAL SCIENCES courses	In most circumstances these are courses in the Faculty of Arts.
5 ELECTIVE courses	Any course from any area.

PREREQUISITE CRITERIA

The Registrar’s Office calculates a weighted academic average of the 20 prerequisite courses based upon the 7 points listed below as approved by the Admissions Committee. The highest grade is used where more than one course is available.

1. Rigour

Applicants must complete the prerequisite requirements while taking a course load of at least 9 credit hours excluding laboratories (at least 3 courses), in any given fall or winter semester, or in any two consecutive summer semesters of studies.

2. Age of credits

Science prerequisites earned over 6 years prior to the date of application will normally not be considered among the 10 prerequisite science requirements.

3. Science courses

Those used in the calculation must be considered “core” courses, eligible to be used towards a science degree at the home institution. Such courses must include a laboratory component with the exception of mathematics, statistics and genetics courses.

4. Animal Biology courses

Examples of animal biology courses include: first year general biology, vertebrate anatomy, vertebrate histology, vertebrate physiology, vertebrate zoology, molecular biology, or cell biology. A course in “Animal Behaviour” is not acceptable in this category.

5. Graduate courses

In order to assess all applicants based on the same criteria, the use of graduate course grades in the academic average of prerequisite courses will not be permitted if an undergraduate grade for an eligible course is available.

6. Repeated courses

The first-attempt grade for a prerequisite course will be used if no other course is eligible to count as that specific prerequisite. Candidates therefore must not take the same course or a similar course over as an attempt to improve the grade in a prerequisite requirement. Rather, candidates who want to improve their academic average must take a different course that would count as an eligible prerequisite. A different course would cover significantly different material or the same material at a higher level.

7. International Baccalaureate (IB) or Academic Placement (AP) Courses

IB and/or AP courses can be used to meet prerequisite requirements when credit has been granted from the university where the student attended and in situations where the student would otherwise not meet the prerequisite requirements for the program. Please note that if AP and/or IB credit has been granted, introductory level courses in the subject area is considered to be a repeated course.

8. The Admissions Committee discourages taking web-based laboratory courses to meet prerequisite course requirements.

Please Note: Applicants who believe they have valid reasons for not having completed the 20 prerequisite courses under the conditions specified above may submit a detailed letter outlining their exceptional

circumstances justifying why their application should be considered. This is only for unusual cases where the application would not otherwise be considered.

My course considerations are as follows:

SUBJECT required	COURSE Completed	UNIVERSITY Attended	Credit Hours
General <u>OR</u> Animal Biology			
Laboratory			
General <u>OR</u> Animal Biology			
Laboratory			
Microbiology *will accept bacteriology or virology			
Microbiology Laboratory			
Genetics			
Mathematics			
Statistics			
Chemistry *will accept biochemistry			
Chemistry Laboratory			
Chemistry			
Chemistry Laboratory			
Organic Chemistry			
Organic Chemistry Laboratory			
Physics			
Physics Laboratory			
English Composition			
English			
Humanities/Social Science			
Humanities/Social Science			
Humanities/Social Science			
Elective			
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INFORMATION TO APPLICANTS:

The humane use of animals in teaching is a normal part of the Atlantic Veterinary College (AVC) curriculum and a necessary component of veterinary medical education. Examples of such uses include, but are not limited to; dissection of cadavers in Macroscopic Anatomy; post-mortem examination of animals in the Diagnostic Laboratory; handling, restraint, and physical examination of animals in Clinical Orientation;

and performing surgery and invasive diagnostic procedures in Medical and Surgical Exercises laboratories. All teaching animal use at the Atlantic Veterinary College is approved by the UPEI Animal Care Committee and conforms to the principles and guidelines of the Canadian Council on Animal Care (CCAC). Please refer to the CCAC web site at: <http://www.ccac.ca>

The Atlantic Veterinary College curriculum requires a student be able to perform precise surgical manipulations, handle large and small animals, handle a heavy course load and participate in strenuous laboratories. Some allergies, chronic illnesses or disabilities may prevent a student from participating in this program. Applicants who may have difficulty with completing the program because of these requirements are required to inform the admissions committee by including a separate letter with their application addressing these concerns.

I, _____ (please print name), hereby certify that all statements and documents enclosed in this application are accurate, valid, and complete. I have read the information for applicants and accept these principals. In signing this application, I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the University of Prince Edward Island and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

I understand that erroneous information in this application could result in my disqualification as an applicant to the program. The Admissions Committee may contact any person or organization listed in the application for further information or for verification of information.

Signature

Date