

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

Applications may be submitted **electronically** or **by mail**.

Applications should conform to word count limits, where indicated (use Arial 11 pt or Times 12 pt).

Materials/documents needed:

1. Completed Application Form
2. Letters of Reference (minimum of two, maximum of four)
3. Curriculum vitae (see form for instructions)
4. Official undergraduate and veterinary school transcripts (these can be photocopied to submit electronically, but they must include all pages).

TO SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY:

To maintain security and confidentiality, ***applications should not be submitted by email.*** Instead they should be uploaded using the Cornell Dropbox service (<https://dropbox.cornell.edu/>). Note this is a secure site. You will need to login with your Cornell ID and password.

TO SUBMIT BY MAIL:

To submit by mail ***all application materials*** must be **received by Dec 12th, 2011**. Please address as follow:

Leadership Program Office
College of Veterinary Medicine
Cornell University
Baker Institute for Animal Health
Ithaca, NY 14853
TEL: (607) 256-5626 (Leadership Program) or FAX: (607) 256-5608

Current Cornell Veterinary Students, please use this application only.

Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine
**Leadership Program for Veterinary Students
 & Veterinary Investigatory Program
 2012 Application**

Please identify to which program you are applying:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary Investigator Program <input type="checkbox"/> Both programs
If you are applying to both programs, please indicate preference: 1 st choice _____	
2 nd choice _____	
<i>Please note: both programs will honor your preference, however we cannot guarantee that your preference will be granted.</i>	

Contact Information

	Last	First	Middle Initial
Name:			
College:			
Current Address:			
Permanent Address:			
Telephone Number:			
Email Address:			

Country of Citizenship:		Gender:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of birth	MM	DD	19
US Social Security Number (if applicable):			

GRE Scores (if taken)

Date GRE was taken (if taken):				
Scores (if known):	Verbal	Quantitative	Analytical	Subject

US Citizens and Permanent Residents Only: The US Department of Education requires Cornell University to report on the racial or ethnic composition of its student enrollment, but self-identification is voluntary.

Please indicate ethnic composition:	
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Special Needs: Food is provided with several program events. It would be helpful to know whether you have special needs in this connection.

Please indicate any dietary requirements:	
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A. College/University Education

List below all degrees received and expected to be received. Include your current veterinary training.

Institution	Dates Attended	Degree	Major	Date Received/Expected	Class Rank (if known)

B. Research Preferences

Indicate your choices for assignment to a project in the areas listed below. Please number the boxes below in order of preference, with your first 3 choices.

PLEASE NOTE: PROJECTS MAY INVOLVE THE USE OF ANIMALS; HOWEVER, CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IS NOT EITHER PROGRAMS PRIORITY AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO MATCH THE INTERESTS OF SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS TO RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COLLEGE; BUT SOMETIMES, AN IDEAL MATCH CANNOT BE MADE AND FACULTY DEFINED PROJECTS ALONE ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR INCLUSION INTO THE PROGRAM. OCCASIONALLY, MORE THAN ONE STUDENT MAY BE ASSIGNED A PROJECT UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ONE OR MORE FACULTY MEMBERS.

Project Areas

<input type="checkbox"/> Bacteriology	<input type="checkbox"/> Cell Signaling	<input type="checkbox"/> Genetics	<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacology
<input type="checkbox"/> Biomedical Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Developmental Biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Hematology	<input type="checkbox"/> Physiology
<input type="checkbox"/> Cancer Biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Disease Modeling	<input type="checkbox"/> Molecular Biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Biology
<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiology	<input type="checkbox"/> Endocrinology	<input type="checkbox"/> Neurobiology	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural Biology
<input type="checkbox"/> Cell Biology	<input type="checkbox"/> Epidemiology	<input type="checkbox"/> Parasitology	<input type="checkbox"/> Virology

C. **Career Goals and Relevant Experiences**

*Describe educational and personal experiences that you consider relevant to your career goals. WORD COUNT LIMIT = 500 words. Please also note that the Leadership Program is intended for individuals who aspire to careers in which research will be a significant element of the individual's professional activities. It is **not** intended for individuals who see their future in private veterinary practice, except as a stepping stone to a career in which one can more broadly influence the profession.*

D. **Additional Information**

Please visit the Leadership Program website www.vet.cornell.edu/OGE/Leadership before answering the following questions. Please do not exceed the space allowed.

1. How did you hear about the Leadership Program?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Alumnus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): | |

2. What long term career path do you hope to follow? (**word count limit = 80 words**)

3. What postgraduate training do you intend to undertake after completing your veterinary degree? (**word count limit = 80 words**)

4. What practical problems might complicate your career plan? (**word count limit = 80 words**)

5. How do you think participating in the Cornell Leadership Program might help you achieve your career goal? (**word count limit = 80 words**)

6. What problem(s) in veterinary science would you like to contribute to solving during your career? (**word count limit = 80 words**)

E. **Transcripts**
*Please append **official** undergraduate and veterinary college transcripts to this form*

F. **Curriculum Vitae**
Please append a complete account of the information listed below, to this form.

Academic and Professional Honors
Specify name, purpose, sponsor and date of each award.

Work Experience
Include all work experience whether part-time, full-time or voluntary

Publications (if applicable)
It is recognized that many prospective applicants may have had little or no research experience. For those who have, and have published their findings, the following information is requested:

- 1. Each citation should list the authors (in published sequence), full title, journal, volume, page number(s) and year of publication*
- 2. Submit photocopies, or PDF files of each of the three most significant publications. The latter may include manuscripts accepted for publication or submitted for publication if appropriately identified.*

Personal Interests and Achievements
Describe activities or hobbies in which you have participated, any awards you have received as well as organizations in which you have had an administrative or leadership role.

G. **Reference Names/Institutions**
It is important that references be carefully selected. The individual writing a letter in support of your application (referee) should be able to comment on your qualifications for a career in your chosen field of study. At least two reference letters, but no more than four, should be submitted with the application.

Referees will need the "Guidance for Referees" letter (see next page) well before the application deadline so that the letter can be included with all other application material. Please note that all reference letters should be sealed and signed across the front of the envelope and appended with this application form.

Name	Institution	Telephone Number
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

Signature: _____

Date: _____

By signing this document, you are granting your permission to share your dossier with the funding sponsors as well as faculty members of the College who comprise both the Leadership Program and Veterinary Investigator Program Selection Committee.

Return completed application by December 12, 2011 to:

Leadership Program Office

Cornell University

College of Veterinary Medicine

Ithaca, NY 14853-6401

TEL: (607) 256-5638 (Leadership Program) or (607) 253-3755 (Veterinary Investigator Program)

FAX: (607) 256-5608

E-MAIL: jsp7@cornell.edu (Leadership Program) or rfg2@cornell.edu (Veterinary Investigator Program)

**Cornell University, College of Veterinary Medicine's
Leadership Program for Veterinary Students and Cornell's Veterinary Investigator Program
2012 Application**

GUIDANCE FOR REFEREES

[Applicants: Please fill in this page and send electronically or print and give a copy to each person you have nominated to write a letter of reference in support of your application]

Name of nominated referee:

Thank you for agreeing to write a confidential letter of reference for: _____ (applicant's name) in support of his/her application for the Cornell Leadership Program for Veterinary Students and /or Cornell's Veterinary Investigator Program Your letter of reference will be of great help to the selection committee in evaluating this application. The main criteria used in the selection process are:

- Academic record
- Work experience
- Research accomplishments (if relevant)
- Personal achievements
- Leadership potential
- Demonstrated interest in a research career.

Please feel free to provide any information or make any comments that you think would assist the selection committee. However, it would be particularly helpful if you could comment in your letter of reference on the following attributes of the applicant:

- Enthusiasm for different tasks of work and study
- Communication skills, both oral and in writing
- Ability to work as a team member
- Ability to work harmoniously with others
- Ability to participate actively in group discussions
- Interests and achievements outside veterinary studies
- Career ambitions.

Please include this information sheet with your letter of reference. References can be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope (please sign across the seal) addressed as follows:

"Confidential Reference for (name of applicant)
Cornell Leadership Program/ Veterinary Investigator Program 2012"

OR

Send electronically by email to Prof. John Parker (jsp7@cornell.edu). Please ENTITLE the Email: Leadership Program /VIP 2012 reference

If sending electronically please send as a signed PDF or word document file.

Application material is due December 12, 2011.

Thank you very much for your assistance.