



APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications & Deadlines

[VMCAS Application](#)~ Deadline September 15, 2015 (12:00 midnight EDT)

[Cornell's Supplemental Application](#)~ Deadline is September 30, 2015 (1:00pm EDT);

- ✓ The supplemental application must be self-initiated after you start the VMCAS.
- ✓ Cornell requires all DVM applicants to submit both the VMCAS Application and Cornell's Supplemental Application

Applicants to the Combined Degree Program

- Designate when starting Supplemental Application
- Section Six added to the Supplemental Application
- Additional letters from people who can discuss your research and research skills

Official College Transcripts

- Transcripts must be sent **directly from the registrar's office** from all the college(s) you attended to [VMCAS](#). Deadline September 15th (recommended as soon as possible to ensure they are received by the deadline).
- Applicants who have taken courses outside the US (with the exception of study abroad) will need to have their credits and grades converted to the US system through an outside organization. See [VMCAS instructions](#) (page 12) for details.

Prerequisite Substitution Request Form

If any of your prerequisite courses do not closely resemble our published prerequisite course titles, you should submit A [Prerequisite Substitution Form](#) along with a course description, syllabus, or letter from the professor of the course. Recommended deadline September 15th (evaluations will continue to be accepted after this date, but may take some time to respond to request).



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Standardized Tests

- Recommended date to take one of these standardized tests is September 10th
- **GRE scores-** send to College Code 2549 and
- **MCAT scores-** (optional) send to College Code 993
- **TOEFL-** [International Applicants](#) send to College Code 1510
- Scores due in our office by September 30, 2015

Letters of Evaluation

- **VMCAS eLor's:** Evaluations should be submitted through the VMCAS electronic Letters of reference (eLor). VMCAS requires a **minimum of 3**; maximum of 6. Any **additional** evaluations (after the 3-6 eLor's) can be sent through Cornell's electronic forms.
- Make sure to let your *evaluators know the deadline* these evaluations need to be submitted by (September 15, 2015 by 12:00 midnight EDT).
- **Do not duplicate evaluations:** It is important not to duplicate evaluations, so if you have an evaluator use the VMCAS eLor, then there is no need to have them do a Cornell form as well.

Animal/Veterinary/Biomedical Research Letters of Evaluations

- **Cornell Supplemental Application Experiences:** Beginning with the most recent, list up to 5 of your **most significant** veterinary, animal or biomedical research experiences on the Cornell Supplemental Application.
- **Evaluations for experiences listed on Supplemental Application:**
 - A letter of recommendation must be provided for each of these experiences listed on the Cornell Supplemental Application.
 - At least one of these experiences must be in **veterinary medicine**, with the accompanying letter written by the veterinarian with whom you worked most closely.
 - We ask for evaluations for those experiences you re-list on the Cornell Supplemental Application only (not the entire list on the VMCAS).
 - **Multiple Evaluations for one experience:** If you list an experience more than once because you will be providing multiple evaluation letters from that experience, take care that you **do not duplicate the hours that you worked or volunteered**. Instead, please estimate the total hours worked with each evaluator (for example: you worked a total of 500 hours at a practice, list 300 with Evaluator A and 200 with Evaluator B).



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- **VMCAS experiences:** In addition to the detailed information about each experience listed on the Cornell Supplemental Application we also carefully review and take into account each of the experiences recorded on your VMCAS application.
- **Re-applicant:** If you are a re-applicant, VMCAS will not accept letters on file at Cornell. Cornell will use previously submitted letters upon your request, but again, VMCAS must receive 3 eLors for your application to be complete.

Academic Letter of Evaluation

- Minimally one evaluation from an academic advisor, faculty mentor, pre-med advisor or a professor familiar with your academic abilities.
- Committee letters are welcome. This letter may be one of the three you send through VMCAS eLor or it may be sent through Cornell's electronic evaluation process.

Residency Worksheet

- All **New York State** residents need to submit this form as verification of State Residency.
 - ✓ Complete electronically on your Tracking Page.
 - ✓ Optional- [Paper Form](#) (print it off, complete and mail or fax)

Dean's Certification Form

- All admitted students and alternates will be required to submit a Dean's Certification by March 15th.
- It is recommended you complete the form during the application review process.
- The link to the Dean's Certification is on our web site at:
<http://www.vet.cornell.edu/admissions/CADeansCertification.cfm>
- Fill in and sign the top portion of the form and give it to your Dean of Students Office to complete and mail or fax to us

Application Fee

- The Cornell Supplemental Application fee is \$65.00 and can be paid via credit card, check, or money order (payable to *Cornell University*)
- International applicants note the fee should be paid in US dollars