Checklist for non-Canadians applying to the University of Guelph DVM program

NOTE if you hold dual Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status you MUST apply as a Canadian. Please see the checklist for Canadian applicants for more details.

Pre-Application

Minimum 2 years FULL TIME* of a bachelor’s degree (any major at any accredited university or college)

- 3 biological sciences (one course with cell biology content)
- genetics
- biochemistry
- statistics
- 2 humanities/social sciences
- veterinary experience (you will need 2 references from veterinarians as part of your application)
- animal experience
- extracurricular/community experience

Prerequisites to be completed by August 31* the year prior to anticipated fall entry. You must have a minimum of 3.2 average for each: the 8 courses AND the last two full time semester average GPA.

VMCAS Applications
Deadline: September 15 or closest Monday

- VMCAS Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS) online application* including:
  - 3 referee assessments submitted (from 2 veterinarians and 1 professional)
  - Background information
- Application fee (to VMCAS)

Non-VMCAS Applications
Deadline October 1st

- If you are an international student already attending or who has attended the University of Guelph please apply using the Application for Internal Transfer/Readmission Form. Once you have filled this in you will be sent the additional forms through your WebAdvisor account.
- Alternatively, if VMCAS is not accessible for you please apply directly to the University of Guelph using the application form. Information is gathered through the Background Information Form (BIF), References, and all post-secondary transcripts.

November 1

- Official transcript(s)
- Course Descriptions of courses being used as prerequisites
- Supplemental fee
You will be assigned a University of Guelph email account with which you can access your WebAdvisor account for updates on your application status.

Candidates will only be invited for an interview once they have completed all the prerequisites. If any of the 8 prerequisite courses are being completed in the fall or winter semesters the candidate’s file will only be assessed once the official marks for all prerequisite courses have been received. Additional interviews are offered only if there is available space in the incoming class.

If selected for an interview, you will be contacted by email. Interviews are 90 minutes long with and are in the Multiple Mini Interview (MMI) format. They are usually held at the University of Guelph on a weekend in early February. Candidates that participate in the on-site interview will be provided with a lunch and a tour of the college led by a current DVM student, and will meet current international student veterinarians.

Tours of the Ontario Veterinary College are held Fridays at 12:30PM during the university school year, outside of exam times. Tours from May – August inclusive are by request and subject to guide availability. To register please email vetmed@uoguelph.ca and provide:

- Number of participants
- Contact email
- Contact cell phone number
- Preferred dates

*Application directly to the University of Guelph is also available and forms can be obtained by emailing admdvm@uoguelph.ca.

**Documents should be submitted to:**

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program  
Admission Services UC L3  
University of Guelph  
Guelph, ON N1G 2W1  
Canada

If you have questions about the application procedure or a current application in progress, please contact: DVM Admissions Counsellor, Admission Services - 519-824-4120 Ext. 58711 or by email admdvm@uoguelph.ca.

*Applications with prerequisites in progress at the time of application will only be assessed once the required courses are complete and if any seats remain open.