

VETERINARY ADMISSIONS 2011 CYCLE REVIEW SESSION

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General Overview of the Process

- A. Goals
- B. Considerations
- C. Debunking Myths
- D. Statistics
- E. Ways to Improve

Goals

Can do:

- Provide an overview of the process
- Offer examples of admissions setbacks
- Answer questions

Can't do:

- Provide individual counseling
- Forecast an applicant's chances of admission

Considerations

- Context (number of applications v. slots)
- Expectations (highly competitive applicant pool)
- Assessment (realistic self-evaluation)
- Grades
- Experience
- *Presentation of Background "It's Up to You!"*
 - When did you apply?
 - Data entry of Grades and Experience

Statistical Review of 2011 Cycle

- A. Demographics
- B. GPA
- C. GRE
- D. Veterinary Experience

Veterinary Medicine Stats Overview

Only 28 colleges in the United States

Roughly 6200 applicants per year nationwide for 2700 slots

NC State: 717 applications for 2011 cycle

NC State: 80 slots (62 res, 18 nonresident)

Eight schools have 80 slots or less; Ten schools have 80-100 slots; Ten schools have 100 slots or more.

Oregon State – 50 and Iowa State – 146

Demographics

- Total applications 717
 - Female 594
 - Male 123
 - In State 223
 - Out State 494

Decrease of 2% from the 2010 cycle
Increase of 24% from the 2009 cycle

Demographics

• Specialty applications	44
DVM/PhD program	24/0
DVM/MBA program	13/1
- undecided	
Scholars program	7/7
- Food	6/6 (5 NCSU, 1 NCAT)
- Lab	1/1 (1 NCAT)

Demographics

Admissions by Sex

	To Enroll/Admitted
NC Residents	
- Female	49/49
- Male	13/13
Non Residents	
- Female	13/23
- Male	<u>05/09</u>
Total	80/94

OBJECTIVE SCORING BARS

NC Residents GPA

Cumulative	3.0
Last 45 hr	3.3
Required	3.3
GRE	General Test

Out of State GPA

Cumulative	3.4
Last 45 hr	3.4
Required	3.4
GRE	General Test

Alternative Eligibility

NON Resident

NA	Requested Review
NA	Passed to Committee
NA	Admit
NA	Waitlist
NA	Deny

Resident

61	Requested Review
21	Passed to Committee
3	Admit
0	Waitlist
18	Deny

Alternative Eligibility GPA (Mean and Range Scores)

	Required	Last 45	Cumulative
n = 61	2.86 (2.18 – 3.49)	3.05 (1.91 – 3.82)	2.97 (2.40 – 3.49)

Resident GPA (Mean and Range Scores)

	Required	Last 45	Cumulative
Admit n = 62	3.68 (2.95 – 4.00)	3.74 (2.65 – 4.00)	3.72 (2.98 – 4.00)
Admit w/o AE n = 59	3.71 (3.26 – 4.00)	3.77 (3.38 – 4.00)	3.74 (3.28 – 4.00)
Waitlist n = 14	3.59 (3.30 – 3.90)	3.68 (3.37 – 3.96)	3.61 (3.37 – 3.91)
Deny n = 75	3.40 (2.41 – 4.00)	3.52 (2.94 – 3.95)	3.41 (2.70 – 3.91)

NonResident GPA (Mean and Range Scores)

	Required	Last 45	Cumulative
Admit n = 32	3.92 (3.66 – 4.00)	3.94 (3.71 – 4.00)	3.90 (3.69 – 4.00)
Waitlist n = 48	3.83 (3.61 – 4.00)	3.89 (3.67 – 4.00)	3.86 (3.69 – 4.00)
Deny n = 20	3.82 (3.66 – 3.98)	3.84 (3.65 – 4.00)	3.80 (3.60 – 3.97)

GRE Resident (Mean and Range Scores)

	Verbal	Quantitative	Analytical	Total
Admit n = 62	512 (310 – 700)	658 (450 – 800)	4.16 (2.5 – 5.5)	1171 (760 – 1500)
Admit w/o AE n = 59	510 (310 – 700)	658 (450 – 800)	4.16 (2.5 – 5.5)	1167 (760 – 1500)
Waitlist n = 14	519 (370 – 660)	645 (480 – 780)	4.46 (3.5 – 5.0)	1164 (860 – 1320)
Deny n = 75	492 (320 – 650)	635 (420 – 800)	4.09 (2.5 – 5.0)	1127 (790 – 1370)

GRE NonResident (Mean and Range Scores)

	Verbal	Quantitative	Analytical	Total
Admit n = 32	533 (340 – 690)	695 (510 – 800)	4.38 (3.0 – 6.0)	1228 (880 – 1480)
Waitlist n = 48	551 (390 – 712)	712 (510 – 800)	4.28 (3.0 – 5.5)	1268 (920 – 1500)
Deny n = 20	520 (390 – 680)	681 (540 – 790)	4.36 (3.5 – 5.5)	1201 (930 – 1380)

Veterinary Experience in Hours (Mean Scores)

	Small	Food	Equine	Mixed	Research	Zoo	Exotic	Other	Total	Avg
Non Res	933	37	91	14	277	29	133	159	1674	2.5
NC RES	1492	175	164	109	587	69	99	135	2829	3.3

Pointers

1. Diversify veterinary experience.
2. Don't leave categories blank (animal, extracurricular, honors).
3. Provide good detail. Avoid "Other duties as assigned" and "Same as above."
4. Know the LOR writers. Choose references carefully. Specific examples.
5. Write personal statement like a cover letter. Avoid the "I love animals" angle. Include professional area of interest - Must match experience.
6. Meet all deadlines.
7. Include all activities (HS, College, and Post).
8. Explain rationale to committee when appropriate.
9. Don't rely on Student Doctor Network for accurate information.
10. Carefully review "subjective review" criteria.

SUBJECTIVE REVIEW

AREAS TO BE EVALUATED:

1. VETERINARY EXPERIENCE
2. ANIMAL EXPERIENCE
3. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
4. PERSONAL STATEMENT
5. EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE
6. DIVERSITY
7. EXTRACURRICULAR/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



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