# **ADMISSIONS OVERVIEW**

2022 - 2023 APPLICATION CYCLE

## **MISSION**

The mission of LMU-CVM is to prepare students to become veterinarians who are committed to the premise that a cornerstone of meaningful existence is promotion of optimal health for animals, people, and our environment. The mission of the LMU-CVM is achieved by:

- Graduating career-ready, confident, competent Doctors of Veterinary Medicine
- Providing a values-based learning community as the context for teaching, research and service
- Investing in quality academic programs supported by engaged faculty and staff and the innovative use of technology
- Providing quality research opportunities for students and faculty in animal health, One Health, and veterinary education
- Serving the health and wellness needs of the Appalachian Region and beyond through a One Health approach
- Committing to compassionate veterinary service that values diversity, equity, inclusion, wellness, professionalism, leadership, and the Veterinarian's Oath

# **CURRICULAR OFFERINGS**

The four year (eight semester) curriculum is based on the philosophy of "clinical immersion" that recognizes medical knowledge must be developed alongside clinical and professional skills.

Pre-clinical sciences are taught on the Harrogate and DVTC campuses during semesters one through six. Courses are delivered via a modified approach to the study of body systems, in which anatomy and physiology are presented concurrently. This allows the student to develop comprehensive and practical understanding of the body's systems and begins to train the mind in the discipline of clinical reasoning that is essential for clinical experiences that will occur in semesters seven and eight.

During the final two semesters (clinical year) students learn and actively participate at a wide variety of collaborative clinical sites to actively utilize their pre-clinical education in a "real world" setting. Students take required rotations in surgery and medicine during this year and are presented with the opportunity to self-direct their own education via electives and externships at approved sited of their choosing.

# **GOALS**

The primary goal of the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) is to educate competent and compassionate veterinarians in an accredited, four-year hybrid professional curriculum with educational experiences both in on-campus teaching facilities and at off-campus community-based clinical sites. The second goal of the CVM is recruitment and retention of a diverse and interactive faculty, staff and student body, committed to values-based service to animals and people. The third goal of the CVM is One Health advancement of service to people, animals and the environment through values-based veterinary education and collaborative research programs.







# **Application Information 2022-2023 Application Cycle**

Primary Application Service: VMCAS Cycle Opening Date: May 12, 2022

Cycle Closing Date: September 15, 2022 @ 11:59PM EST\*

### SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

The supplemental application, found in VMCAS, is required for all LMU-CVM applicants.

Last Filing Date: September 15, 2022 @

11:59PM EST

Supplemental Application Fee: \$50.00

The LMU-CVM Supplemental Application is submitted via the website link provided within the VMCAS application.

## **Casper ASSESSMENT EXAM DATES**

The LMU-CVM Casper assessment exam window opens in May and will close in September. Exam times vary and will need to be registered for via the company's website.

Testing dates/times will be listed on the LMU-CVM website.

## **TRANSCRIPTS**

Official transcripts documenting all postsecondary academic coursework must be submitted and verified by VMCAS.

Applicants who have in-progress or planned courses at the time of submitting the VMCAS application must send updated official transcripts directly to the LMU-CVM by the following dates:

Fall Transcripts: January 31, 2023

Winter/Spring Transcripts: June 30, 2023

#### **INTERVIEWS**

Interviews (virtual and/or in-person) for the LMU-CVM Class of 2027 will begin in October and will continue through February 2023.

\*\*Please note that applications must be completed and verified prior to interview invitations being extended. Completion includes the LMU-CVM's receipt of Casper assessment exam scores.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

The LMU-CVM strives to provide opportunities for qualified individuals seeking entry into the veterinary profession. The Admissions Committee will select applicants based on a variety of factors. Holistic review points include but are not limited to academics, GPA trends, experience in the veterinary profession, extracurricular activities, applicant interview performance, and results from the CASPer assessment exam. We seek to enroll bright, hard-working students whose goal is to advance the science and art of veterinary medicine wherever they choose to enter professional practice.

LMU-CVM Pre-Requisite	Semester Units	Quarter Units
General Biology (lecture & lab)	8	12
Genetics	3	4
Biochemistry	3	4
Advanced Science Electives	8	12
Organic Chemistry (lecture & lab)	6	9
General Chemistry (lecture & lab)	6	12
Physics (algebra or calculus-based)	3	4
English	3	4
Social Sciences	3	4
Minimum Credits	43	65

<sup>\*\*</sup>An undergraduate anatomy or physiology course is strongly recommended to applicants. Three credits in one of these subjects will be required beginning in the 2023-2024 application cycle.

## **DECISIONS**

Decisions pertaining to admissions will begin to be extended in December and will continue throughout the following months.

Applicants will be notified of admittance decisions electronically via the email address provided via their VMCAS application.