



Vet Life Awaits!



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Transform Your Love for Animals into a Rewarding Career

Your Path to a Career in Food Animal
Veterinary Practice Starts Here





What is Food Animal Veterinary Practice?

Food animal veterinarians play a crucial role in safeguarding the health and well-being of livestock, poultry, and other food-producing animals. They work to prevent and treat diseases, promote animal welfare, and ensure the safety and quality of our food.

You Can Get Started Now!

Pursuing this career path can take up to 8 years of college after high school. To prepare, focus on excelling in science and math courses while maintaining good grades. Your school counselor can offer invaluable guidance in selecting courses that align with your goals and the requirements of your chosen college or university's pre-vet program.

Classes you can take now:

- Math (algebra, geometry, trigonometry, statistics, calculus)
- Laboratory sciences (biology and chemistry); physics.

Hands-on Experience

Gaining hands-on animal experience through volunteering at local animal shelters or veterinary clinics will strengthen your understanding of animal care. Stay curious, ask questions, and explore your passion for animals and agriculture.



Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree, required pre-requisites
- Minimum 180 hours of veterinary experience
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Completion of MMI Interview (multiple mini interview)
- While a minimum GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) is required for all completed coursework, competitive applications often boast higher GPAs. Aim high and strive for excellence in your academics to stand out in a competitive pool of applicants!

For additional information about the application process, please visit:
<https://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/admissions/>



UC Davis will accept AP credit to fulfill certain prerequisite courses (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Statistics). Get a head start on your college prerequisite courses in High School!

"Discover the Earning Potential: Cattle veterinarians in private practice earn on average around \$140,000 per year. Plus, there are exciting opportunities for higher incomes, especially for practice owners and specialty practice veterinarians!"