

# SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

## LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Louisiana State University campus is located in Baton Rouge, the state's capital and a major industrial city on the Mississippi River. The campus encompasses more than 2,000 acres in the southern part of the city and is bordered by the Mississippi River. The School of Veterinary Medicine resides on a 40-acre site primarily selected for its availability to the campus, community, and Veterinary Science Research Farm. An additional 50 acres, adjacent to the south of this site, is used to maintain the school's herd of large domesticated animals.

**CURRICULUM:** During the first year, students are primarily engaged in the study of the basic sciences. The second and third year covers clinical sciences. The final 15 months consist of required clinical rotations and some clinical electives.

**ADMISSION PROCESS:** All applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. All applicants must apply through VMCAS. A supplemental application is also required and can be found on the school's web site. Completed applications are reviewed by an admissions committee, a team of veterinary practitioners, and other faculty members beginning in January. Interviews are a required part of the process for Louisiana and contract applicants only.

**SIZE OF ENTERING CLASS:** 84 (Approximately 25% of positions are open to out of state students.)

### DEADLINE DATES:

October 1	Deadline to submit VMCAS application.
October 1	Deadline to have transcripts sent to LSU.
November 30	Deadline to take Graduate Record Exam (GRE®) General Sections Verbal and Quantitative.
December 1	Deadline to submit supplemental application to LSU.
December 15	Deadline for receipt of GRE scores by LSU SVM (code 6381).
January 15	Deadline to submit transcripts for 2005 fall semester.

**CLASSES BEGIN:** August

**SUPPLEMENTAL PROCESSING FEE:** A supplemental application along with a supplemental fee of \$50 is required of all applicants. The supplemental application can be obtained at the website: [www.vetmed.lsu.edu/admissions/](http://www.vetmed.lsu.edu/admissions/). The deadline for submission of the supplemental application is December 1.

**ADMISSION DEPOSIT:** A non-refundable deposit of \$500 for non-residents accepted into the class is required to hold the position. It will be credited toward tuition and fees at matriculation.

**TUITION AND FEES:** 2004-2005 \$11,324 resident and contract state residents; \$28,224 non-resident (subject to change for 2004-2005)

**ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Approximately two thirds of each class are Louisiana residents. Louisiana also contracts with Arkansas. Other positions are open to out of state students. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE®) General Test should be taken no later than November 30. A bachelor's degree is not required. The GPA in prerequisite course must be a 3.00 or higher on a 4.00 scale. Grades of less than C in these courses are not acceptable. All required courses attempted will be used in the GPA computation. If a subsequent course with a grade of C or higher is used because of an unacceptable grade in the initial course, the latter grade will be averaged with the initial course grade. At least one course in organic chemistry, biology, and physics must be completed within six years of the application date. A minimum of 66 semester hours is required for admission.

Prerequisite course for entrance into the school must include:

Inorganic chemistry with lab	8
Organic chemistry	3
General biology/zoology courses with lab appropriate for pre-med	8
Microbiology with lab	4
Biochemistry	3
Physics	6
Mathematics, college-level algebra/trigonometry or higher	5
English composition	6
Speech communication	3

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