

Mississippi State University
College of Veterinary Medicine
Instructions for Completion of the Application for Pre-Admission

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**Print this document and use as a guide for the completion for pre-admission to the
Veterinary Medical Technology Program.**

**If you have the complete version of Acrobat, you may begin to complete the PDF version of the
application, save it, and reopen the saved document to finish later. If you have Acrobat Reader,
print the application, complete the application by hand, and submit the application to the VMT
Office.**

Information

This application is supplemental to the Mississippi State University (MSU) application for admission. Acceptance into the VMTP is contingent upon acceptance into MSU. A VMTP pre-admission student must be a full time MSU student by the time they start the junior year of the program.

Your completed application packet must be received by the Veterinary Medical Technology Office in the College of Veterinary Medicine. Your application packet must contain:

- Your completed application and
- A current high school transcript (and college transcript if applicable).

Your three confidential evaluations must be submitted by your evaluators in order for your application file to be complete.

Please give full and accurate information because it will be used in preparing your permanent record. Inaccurate or incomplete information could invalidate your application.

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Complete all requested personal information. Please note that “Ethnicity/Race” is an optional area. “Immigration Status” should be completed only if you are not a citizen of the United States.

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List all high schools (and colleges if applicable) you have attended. You are **required** to submit official copies of transcripts from each high school (and college) that you have attended.

At this point in time you are not required to have worked/volunteered for a veterinarian/scientist, but if you have, list up to three of your experiences. In the space provided, please provide a brief description of your responsibilities associated with each experience.

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If you have worked for financial remuneration, list up to three experiences. Do not repeat any listing from the “Animal Experience” listing. In the space provided, please provide a brief description of your responsibilities.

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Choose your three most significant animal experiences. If you have had experience with a variety of animals (cattle, cats, dogs, horses, etc.), consider including such listings. In the space provided, please provide a brief description of your responsibilities.

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Consider the honors and awards you have received (academic, civic clubs, 4-H, FFA, athletic, musical, etc.) and choose up to six that you believe to be the most significant. You are encouraged but not required to list six. In the space provided, please provide a brief description of the significance of the honor/award.

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As a veterinary technologist you will be expected, if not obligated, to give back to the community, state, and nation in which you live. Individuals who establish an early pattern of contributing to projects that benefit others usually continue to do so throughout their lives. List up to three extracurricular/community oriented activities in which you have participated that benefit others.

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Your personal statement is a very important part of your application. Your statement, more than any other part of the application, allows the VMTP Admissions Committee to gain insight into you, the person. Your statement should be no less than half a page, but you will be limited to the one page in your application.

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Utilize the "Explanation Statement" to inform the VMTP Admissions Committee of any circumstance that may have had an adverse impact on your life. If there are no adverse circumstances to explain, this section should be left blank

List on your application the names of your three confidential evaluators. **Do not request more than three.** The Confidential Evaluation Form is available online. The form may be completed online and printed or the form may be printed and completed by hand. Those completing your confidential evaluations are encouraged to submit a personal letter in addition to the completed Confidential Evaluation Form. You are required to have recommendations from:

1. An individual that can attest to your talents, skills, and abilities with animals in a clinical, research, or farm environment,
2. An individual that can attest to your academic talent, and
3. An individual of your choosing.

You are responsible for accurately assessing the most appropriate individuals to complete your confidential evaluations. Once you have chosen your evaluators, please print the Confidential Evaluation Form and the Instructions for Completion of the Confidential Evaluation Form and give to each of your evaluators.

Follow the instructions provided for the last two questions.

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If your application to the VMTP is accepted, you will have specific academic standards to achieve in order to maintain your pre-admitted status to the VMTP. In addition to the prerequisite courses, you are encouraged to complete one additional course each semester in an academic area of your choosing. This

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will allow you to be in progress of an alternative degree program should you not meet the academic requirements established for pre-admission into the junior year of the VMTP.

Your signature indicates that the information in your application is complete and accurate. Please understand that any information in this application that cannot be verified will cause this application to be not considered.

Complete the date of submission.

It is your responsibility to ensure that:

- You have a composite score of 21 or higher on the ACT (1500 on the SAT),
- You have a high school average of 80 or above, and
- Your application packet must contain:
 - Your completed application,
 - Current high school transcripts (and college transcript if applicable).

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Notification

Applicants for pre-admission to the VMTP will be notified after review of their application by the VMTP Administration.

Final Transcript

Successful high school senior applicants (those invited to be pre-admitted to the VMTP) must send a final transcript following graduation from their high school before the processing of the application for the VMTP pre-admission can be considered complete.

Successful college freshmen applicants must send an official college transcript following the completion of the spring semester before the processing of the application for VMTP pre-admission can be considered complete.

If accepted into the program, please make arrangements for your transcripts to be forwarded by mail or eSCRIP-SAFE to:

**Veterinary Medical Technology Program
Mississippi State University
College of Veterinary Medicine
Mrs. Karen Cook, R1011
P. O. Box 6100
Mississippi State, MS 39762-6100**

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Out-of-State Applicants

Refer to MSU Admissions Department Out-Of-State Policy.

Information for Transfer Students

If you are accepted into the VMTP and you are not a Mississippi State University student, you must be accepted as a student by Mississippi State University prior to starting the Veterinary Medical Technology Program.

Admission information is available at <http://www.admissions.msstate.edu>

Financial Aid

Information about financial aid, including academic scholarships, is available at <http://www.sfa.msstate.edu/>.