



Pathways is an extensive network of cooperative, interacting programs at Kansas State University designed to provide selected students the opportunity to enhance their progress toward entrance into the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Pathways provides funding to participate in the connecting programs, accessibility to a network of professionals in the field of veterinary medicine and careful mentoring.

The purpose of this network is threefold:

- to recruit first generation college students and to provide an ethnically diverse group of veterinary graduates.
- to promote an awareness of the many areas of study within veterinary medicine.
- to bring cultural diversity and greater world views into the future body of working professionals.

Pathways a student may take:

The College of Agriculture:

A student may enroll in the pre-veterinary medicine track in one of several degree programs in the college.

The College of Arts and Sciences:

A student may enroll in the department of biology or biochemistry in a science/health related degree program.

The community college transfer track:

A student may transfer to the above K-State colleges from many Kansas community colleges coordinating programs.

Currently, K-State collaborates with Seward County, Garden City, Dodge City, Kansas City Kansas Community College and Donnelly College. K-State also has a presence at Barton County Community College.



Pathways to Opportunity In Veterinary Medicine



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The Developing Scholars Program

(DSP) is an undergraduate research program for underrepresented and first generation college students. This program places students in a research project in their field of study and pays students a stipend for their participation.

Stipends start at \$2000 over two semesters. The DSP and the College of Veterinary Medicine collaborate closely to provide an ideal crossroads for students who wish to enter veterinary medicine. For more information see www.ksu.edu/scholars.

Bridges to the Future is a life sciences collaboration between K-State and five community colleges. Students attend their local college for two years before transferring to K-State's *Developing Scholars Program*. *Bridges* also provides funds for participation. For more information, contact Dr. Denis Medeiros at medeiros@ksu.edu.

Early admission program to the College of Veterinary Medicine is available for students who qualify. For criteria, see www.vet.ksu.edu/admit/early.htm.

The McNair Scholars Program is a federally funded program to provide summer research in the junior year and to help students prepare for graduate-level work. The DSP encourages its participants to apply for these and other summer opportunities.

The PILOTS Program is a retention program for freshmen whose ACT scores suggest they would benefit from a more structured environment. It provides smaller class sizes, mandatory study sessions and ongoing mentoring.

This program is recommended for freshmen who are interested in veterinary medicine but need to establish a strong academic record before applying to DSP. For more information, see www.ksu.edu/pilots.

Summer research programs that focus on underrepresented and first generation students are the *Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (SUROP)*. This program is being expanded to work with students at their community colleges. Employment in veterinary medical research or in private practice in the student's area can be arranged.

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