

Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine Schedule of Electives

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Electives Offered During Summer 2025												
Course	Title	Cr Hrs	Cr Type	Faculty Coordinator	Y1	Y2	Y3	Day	Time	Max #	Room #	Certification Requirements
VCS 821 A	International Vet Study Tours	1	CR	Dr. Walter Renberg		x	x	5/19-6/9	By appt	10	Field	
VCS 891 K	Topics in IVM-Shelter Systems	3	G	Dr. Cody Dressler		x	x	5/27-8/15	Online	30	Distance	Shelter (opt)
VCS 891 M	Topics in Rural Practice Business Skills	1	G	Dr. Todd Gunderson		x		MTWUF 8/18-8/22	8:00 - 5:00	15	T307 /P-223	FAVC (opt)
VCS 892 B	Food Animal Preclinical Mentorship	1	CR	Dr. James Roush Dr. Barbara Alexiou				5/27-8/15	N/A	N/A	N/A	B - FoodAn (Opt) F - Equine (Req) J - Exotics (Req) K - Shelter (Req) L - Sustain (Opt)
VCS 892 C	Small Animal PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 D	Non-Trad PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 F	Equine PreClin Mentorship					x	x					
VCS 892 J	Exotics/Zoo PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 K	Shelter PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 L	Sustainability Mentorship											
VCS 892 Q	Pre-Clinical Community Outreach	1	CR	Dr. Ron Orchard		x	x	5/27-8/15	By appt	20	TBA	Shelter (opt)
VCS 892 R	Victim to Verdict: Animal Cruelty Investigations	1	CR	Dr. Ron Orchard		x	x	5/27-8/15	online	20	Distance	Shelter (opt)
VDMP 891 F	Top/Herd Disease Inv. Technique	2	G	Dr. Gregg Hanzlicek			x	MTWUF 8/11-8/22	8:00 - 5:00	12	CVM East 143	FAVC (opt)

Electives Offered During Fall 2025												
Course	Title	Cr Hrs	Cr Type	Faculty Coordinator	Y1	Y2	Y3	Day	Time	Room	Max #	Certificate Requirements
VAP 888 C	History of Veterinary Medicine	1	G	Dr. Justin Kastner	x	x	x	Tues	4:00-4:50	N202	44	
VAP 888 D	Stem Cell and Comparative Biomedicine	1	G	Dr. Mark Weiss	x			Fri	2:00-2:50	T301	21	
VCS 822	Intro to Sustainable Beef Systems	1	G	Dr. Phillip Lancaster	x	x	x	Tues	4:00-4:50	T201	38	FAVC (opt) Sustain (req)
VCS 832	Antimicrobial Resistance in Bacteria: A One Health Perspective	1	G	Dr. Raghavendra Amachawadi	x	x	x	Tues	12:00-12:50	Mara	50	FAVC (opt) Sustain (req)
VCS 868	Artificial Intelligence in Veterinary Medicine	1	G	Dr. Nicolette Cassel Dr. Shane Lyon	x	x	x	Tues	3:00-3:50	T301	48	
VCS 890 B	Community Outreach Fundamentals	1	G	Dr. Ron Orchard	x	x		Fri	3:00-3:50	Mara	30	Shelter (opt) Sustain (opt)
VCS 891 C	Topics in Applied Small Animal Behavior	1	G	Dr. Neala Boyer Dr. Susan Nelson		x	x	Tues	4:00-4:50	Bl Aud.	100	Shelter (opt) Sustain (opt)
VCS 891 E	Top/Shelter Basics: Medicine & Management	1	G	Dr. Cody Dressler	x	x		Tues	4:00-4:50	T301	120	Shelter (req)
VCS 891 R	Learning Curve of Equine Practice	1	G	Drs. Laurie Beard/Beth Davis	x	x	x	Tues	3:00-3:50	T201	71	Equine (opt)
VCS 891 S	Pain Management	1	G	Dr. Rose McMurphy			x	Mon	4:00-4:50	P-223	120	
VCS 891 X	Beef Production Medicine	1	G	Dr. Brad White			x	Fri	10:00-10:50	Bl Aud.	40	FAVC (req)
VCS 891 Y	Topics in Business Principles for Vet. Practice	1	G	Dr. James Roush	x	x		Fri	3:00-3:50	T301	60	FAVC (opt) Sustain (req)
VCS 891 Z	Intro to Small Animal Ultrasonography	1	G	Dr. Nicolette Cassel			x	Fri	11:00-11:50	Mara	36	
VCS 892 B	B - Food Animal Preclinical Mentorship	1	CR	Dr. James Roush				N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	B - FoodAn (Opt) F - Equine (Req) J - Exotics (Req) K - Shelter (Req) L - Sustain (Opt)
VCS 892 C	C - Small Animal PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 D	D - Non-Trad PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 F	F - Equine PreClin Mentorship					x	x					
VCS 892 J	J - Exotics/Zoo PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 K	K - Shelter PreClin Mentorship											
VCS 892 L	L - Sustainability Mentorship											
VCS 892 E	Veterinary Practice in a Global Society	1	CR	Dr. Callie Rost	x	x	x	Tues	3:00-3:50	Bl Aud.	75	Sustain (opt)
VCS 892 S	Top/Equine Podiatry	1	CR	Dr. Dylan Lutter			x	Thurs	1:00-2:50	E107	10	Equine (opt)
VCS 892 V	Emergency and Critical Care	1	CR	Dr. Stefanie Durbin			x	Fri	11:00-11:50	E-107	50	
VDMP 891 B	Lab Animal Science	2	G	Dr. Sally Olson			x	Fri	10:00-11:50	T307	44	Exotics (opt)
VDMP 891 C	Backyard Poultry Disease	1	G	Dr. Kristen Hill-Thimmesch		x	x	Fri	12:00-12:50	Mara	40	Exotics (opt) FAVC (opt)
VDMP 891 D	Laboratory Diagnosis	2	G	Dr. Lisa Pohlman			x	Wed	1:00-4:50	T204/T201	56	

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Electives Offered During Spring 2026												
Course	Title	Cr Hrs	Cr Type	Faculty Coordinator	Y1	Y2	Y3	Day	Time	Room #	Max #	Certificate Requirements
VAP 891 A	Special Interest Anatomy	1	G	Dr. Pradeep Malreddy	x	x		Fri	12:00-1:50pm	T308	45	Exotics (Opt)
VAP 891 C	Study Methods	1	G	Dr. Matt Basel	x	x		Fri	1:00-1:50pm	T307	60	
VAP 894	Comparative Embryology	1	G	Dr. Judy Klimek	x	x		Thurs	4:00-4:50pm	T307	60/30	
VAP 897	Problems in Animal Welfare	1	G	Dr. Abbie Viscardi	x	x		Thurs	2:00-2:50pm	T301	60	Shelter (Opt) Sustain (Opt)
VCS 817	Incident Response (previously titled VCS 892 G - Disaster Response)	1	G	Dr. Cody Dressler	x	x		Thurs	4:00-4:50pm	T301	80	Shelter (Req)
VCS 819	Veterinary Medicine in a Foreign Context	1	CR	Dr. Walter Renberg	x	x		Thurs	5:00-5:50pm	P-223	15; 5	
VCS 820	Topics in Global Veterinary Medicine	1	G	Dr. Walter Renberg	x	x		Thurs	4:00-4:50pm	P-223	Min:10 Max:20	Exotics (Opt) Sustain(Opt)
VCS 840	Communication with the Agricultural Worker	2	G	Dr. Phillip Lancaster	x	x		Thurs	3:00-3:50pm	T201	24	FoodAn (Opt) Sustain (Opt)
VCS 891 A	Topics in Veterinary Oncology	1	G	Dr. Mary Lynn Higginbotham Dr. Kimberly Reeds			x	Tues	1:00-1:50pm	Mara	30	
VCS 891 F	Basic Emergency Med/Critical Care	1	G	Dr. Anamarie Weber		x		Thurs	4:00-4:50pm	T201	120	
VCS 891 G	Topics in Bovine Palpation Techniques & Reproduction Evaluation	1	G	Dr. Leslie Weaver			x	Thurs	1:00-2:50PM (1/5-4/24)	J-128	24	FoodAn (Opt)
VCS 891 J	Topics in Adv Zoological/Wildlife Med	1	G	Dr. Trenton Shrader			x	Mon	11:00-11:50am	E-107	25	Exotics (Req)
VCS 891 L	Issues in Rural Practice	1	G	Dr. Todd Gunderson	x	x		Thurs	2:00-2:50pm	T201	100	FoodAn (Opt)
VCS 891 O	Adv. Exotic Pet Medicine	1	G	Dr. Gretel Tovar			x	Thurs	2:00-2:50pm	E-107	40	Exotics (Req)
VCS 891 P	Basics of Bovine Theriogenology	1	G	Dr. Brad White Dr. Robert Larson	x	x		Fri	1:00-1:50pm	T301	120	FoodAn (Opt)
VCS 891 Q	Equine Medicine Elective	1	G	Dr. Laurie Beard			x	Tues	1:00-1:50pm	E-107	24	Equine (opt)
VCS 891 V	Advanced Concepts in Veterinary Clinical Anesthesia	1	G	Dr. Nate Kapaldo			x	Fri	1:00-1:50pm	E-107	45	
VCS 892 A	Equine Lameness	1	CR	Dr. Dylan Lutter			x	Thurs	1:00-1:50pm	E-107	25	Equine (opt)
VCS 892 B, C, D, F, J, K, L	B - Food Animal Preclinical Mentorships C - Small Animal D - Non-Traditional F - Equine J - Exotic K - Shelter L - Sustainability	1	CR	Dr. James Roush	x	x	x	N/A	By Appt	N/A	N/A	B - FoodAn (Opt) F - Equine (Req) J - Exotics (Req) K - Shelter (Req) L - Sustain (Opt)
VCS 892 G	Foundations in Internal Medicine with Current Cases	1	CR	Dr. Kenneth Harkin	x	x	x	Fri	1:00-1:50pm	BI Aud	50	
VCS 892 N	Sustainable Small Animal Practice	1	CR	Dr. Nate Kapaldo	x	x		Thurs	3:00-3:50pm	P-223	30	Sustain (Req)
VCS 892 O	Intro to Small Animal Surgery Cases	1	CR	Dr. Emily Klocke	x	x		Thurs	3:00-3:50pm	T307	18	
VCS 892 T	Surgical Skills	1	CR	Dr. David Upchurch			x	Thurs	1:00-2:50PM (1/5-2/20)	T111 J-128	30	Shelter (Opt)
VDMP 888 B	Globalization & the Food Trade	1	G	Dr. Justin Kastner	x	x		Thurs	3:00-3:50pm	N202	30	FoodAn (Opt) Sustain (Opt)
VDMP 891 A	Ecotoxicology	1	G	Dr. Derek Mosier		x		Tues	3:00-4:30pm (2/3 - 4/24)	T201	45	FoodAn (Opt) Exotics (Opt) Sustain (Opt)