**APPLICATION**

**Veterinary Research Scholars Program**

**College of Veterinary Medicine**

**Kansas State University**

**Manhattan, KS 66506**

**Visit our web page: :** [**http://www.vet.k-state.edu/research/vet-scholar/index.html**](http://www.vet.k-state.edu/research/vet-scholar/index.html) **for an on-line application, a list of mentors potentially accepting students for the coming summer and an extensive description of the Veterinary Research Scholars Program.**

**Completed applications can be emailed to** [**kstenske@ksu.edu**](mailto:kstenske@ksu.edu)**.**

*(Please type or print clearly)*

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**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE JANUARY 31, 2024. LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED. APPLICATIONS ARE NOT CONSIDERED COMPLETE UNTIL THIS APPLICATION, TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, AND UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS ARE RECEIVED.**

**Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

By signing this document, you are granting permission to share information from your dossier with the funding sponsors as well as faculty members of the College of Veterinary Medicine who comprise the Program Advisory Committee.

1. ***STATEMENT OF GOALS***

Please provide a personal statement (not to exceed two pages) discussing the following:

* 1. Why are you interested in becoming a summer research scholar?
     1. What has motivated you to participate in the Veterinary Research Scholars Program? What would you like to gain from the research program?
     2. How would participation in the Veterinary Research Scholars Program advance your future endeavors?
  2. Based on your meetings with this summer’s mentors and learning about the research they will be doing, identify a research hypothesis that you would like to test, and describe your interest in this area of biomedical research.

1. ***MENTOR PREFERENCE***

Provide the names of five faculty research mentors at K-State with whom you would like to be paired if you are chosen to participate in the VRSP this summer. Please indicate if you have met with each of these mentors to discuss their research. It is highly recommended that you meet with at least your top 3 choices.

Mentor Name Have discussed research with them

(Yes/No)

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***III. CREDENTIALS***

1. **Academic Information**

* **Undergraduate Studies**
  + Have you already earned a bachelor’s degree? Yes/No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + From where did you earn the majority of your college credit?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + What was your undergraduate GPA at that school?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* **Veterinary school you attend:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **Anticipated month and year of veterinary school graduation:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **Veterinary Degree you will earn (DVM, VMD, BVSc, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **Veterinary school Grade Point Average:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **Have you already earned a Master’s degree?** Yes/No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + If yes, please provide degree, date, and school \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* **Have you already earned a PhD?** Yes/No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + If yes, please provide degree, date, and school\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* **Are you currently enrolled in an MS, MPH, or PhD program?** Yes/No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
  + If yes, please provide degree program, anticipated month/year of graduation, and school.
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* For non-KSU students, if you are accepted into the KSU Veterinary Research Scholars Program, would you be able to arrive by May 20, 2024 (if not, when?) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* For non-KSU students, if you are accepted into the KSU Veterinary Research Scholars Program, would you be able to stay until Aug 11, 2024 (if not, when) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**B. Education and Professional Experience:** Attach to this application a resume or CV that includes the following information:

**1.** College/University Education: Specify all schools attended with the years of attendance and degree obtained.

**2.** Academic and Professional Honors: Specify name, purpose, sponsor and date of each award.

**3.** Work experience: Include all work experience, whether part-time, full-time, or voluntary.

**4.** Research Experience, Presentations, and Publications: If you have had previous research experience and have presented or published the findings, please provide the relevant citations. *Note: you do not need to have research experience to be eligible for the VRSP, and the majority of applicants will not have research publications.*

**5.** Personal Interests and Achievements: Activities, hobbies, clubs and organizations.

1. **Research Experience (add rows as needed)**

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| Type of Research Experience | Specific Location (university, corporate, etc.) | Mentor | Hours/week | Dates of activity (months/years) | Total hours (provide your best estimate) |
| Example: lab animal research assistant | Univ of Notre Dame biology dept. | Kay Stewart, RVT | 40hr/week | May-Aug 2018  (12 wks) | 480 |
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1. **References:** Please ask two individuals familiar with your research potential to submit letters of reference to **Dr. Kate KuKanich** (kstenske@ksu.edu). References may include faculty members from Kansas State University or other institutions, industrial scientists, veterinarians, and/or other supervisors/employers. Please provide the names of your references along with their job title and credentials (MS, PhD, DVM, etc.) in the spaces below. The letters of reference should address the following topics:
   1. Referee’s general role in interactions with the applicant (research, clinic, classroom/lab, mentor, etc.).
   2. How long the referee has known the applicant.
   3. Place the applicant into a general peer group and rate the applicant against that group.
   4. The applicant’s strengths, weaknesses, interest, and potential as a veterinary researcher.
   5. Why the applicant would be a successful participant of the Kansas State VRSP.

Referees can view our website for information about our program:

<https://www.vet.k>[-state.edu/research/vet-scholar/index.html](https://www.vet.k-state.edu/research/vet-scholar/index.html)

* 1. Comment on the general character and work ethic of the applicant.

**Reference 1:**

Name/credentials/title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Reference 2:**

Name/credentials/title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**E. Transcripts:** Append undergraduate and veterinary college transcripts to this form. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.

**IV. NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION**

Kansas State University is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, sex, national origin, disability, religion, age, sexual orientation, or other nonmerit reasons, in admissions, educational programs or activities, and employment (including employment of disabled veterans and veterans of the Vietnam Era), all as required by applicable laws and regulations. Responsibility for coordination of compliance efforts and receipt of inquiries, including those concerning Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 19973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, has been delegated to Jane D. Rowlett, Ph.D., Director, Unclassified Affairs and University Compliance, Kansas State University, 225 Anderson Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506-0124, (785) 532-4392.

**OPTIONAL: US CITIZENS AND PERMANENT RESIDENTS ONLY:** The US Department of Education requires Kansas State University to report on the racial or ethnic composition of its student enrollment, but self-identification is voluntary:

\_\_\_\_American Indian or Alaskan Native \_\_\_\_ Puerto Rican

\_\_\_\_African American/Black \_\_\_\_ Latino/Hispanic

\_\_\_\_Native Hawaiians \_\_\_\_ Mexican American

\_\_\_\_Pacific Islander \_\_\_\_ Asian

\_\_\_\_Caucasian (non-Hispanic) \_\_\_\_ Multi-ethnic

* Are you from a rural community (area with <50,000 people)?\_yes/no\_\_\_\_
* Do you have a disability (whether or not you need accommodations)? yes/no \_\_\_\_

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:**

Veterinary students with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the Veterinary Research Scholars Program. The VRSP Director (Dr. KuKanich) with work with scholars and mentors so that appropriate laboratory and classroom accommodations can be arranged to ensure a rewarding summer research experience. The KSU Student Access Center ([accesscenter@k-state.edu](mailto:accesscenter@k-state.edu?subject=Student%20Accommodation), 785-532-6441) will help facilitate accommodations for scholars. Services are available to students with a wide range of disabilities including, but not limited to, physical disabilities, medical conditions, learning disabilities, attention deficit disorder, depression, and anxiety.

**For submission of application or more information, contact:**

Dr. Kate KuKanich

Director of Veterinary Research Scholars Program

Q213 Mosier Hall, KSU-CVM

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