PRE-VETERINARY PLANNING GUIDE

Pre-Veterinary is a track made up of courses required for entry to a Veterinary school. Students complete these requirements alongside the bachelor's degree of their choice. KU does not have a Veterinary program. We can help prepare you for a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program of your choice. The courses below are commonly required for admission, but each program is different -- it's important to check admission requirements for the schools to which you are applying.

REQUIREMENTS

- *Courses marked with an asterisk have pre-requisites not already listed below.
 - Molecular & Cellular Biology
 - Options at KU: BIOL 150*
 - Fulfills KU Core Goal 3N
 - Organismal Biology
 - o Options at KU: BIOL 152
 - Microbiology w/ lab
 - o Options at KU: BIOL 400 & BIOL 402
 - General Chemistry I
 - Options at KU: CHEM 130*
 - Fulfills KU Core Goal 1.2
 - General Chemistry II
 - o Options at KU: CHEM 135
 - Organic Chemistry I w/ lab
 - Options at KU: CHEM 330 & CHEM 331
 - Organic Chemistry II w/ lab
 - o Options at KU: CHEM 335 & CHEM 336
 - College Physics I
 - Options at KU: PHSX 114*
 - Fulfills KU Core Goal 1.1
 - College Physics II
 - o Options at KU: PHSX 115

RECOMMENDED

- *Courses marked with an asterisk have pre-requisites not already listed below.
 - Biochemistry
 - o Options at KU: BIOL 600
 - Required for K-State's program.
 - Genetics
 - o Options at KU: BIOL 350
 - Required for K-State's program.
 - Mammalian Physiology w/ lab
 - o Options at KU: BIOL 546* & BIOL 547

IMPORTANT NOTES

- The closest veterinary program is at Kansas State University.
- These requirements are paired with a bachelor's degree from KU. It's important to review admission requirements for any veterinary programs of interest. Admission requirements may differ.
- If you plan to attend veterinary school directly after senior year, make a plan!
- K-State no longer requires the GRE, but many programs do! Register for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE), usually taken during the spring semester of junior year.
- The admission process includes an application, recommendation letters, and interviews. Make sure to give references a deadline and time to complete letters.
- Observation and work in veterinary offices is strongly recommended, as are volunteering and research projects.
- Sample schedule:
 - o 1st Fall: Chemistry I, Biology I
 - o 1st Spring: Chemistry II, Biology II
 - 2nd Fall: Organic Chemistry I and lab, Microbiology and lab
 - 2nd Spring: Organic Chemistry II and lab, Genetics
 - 3rd Fall: Physics I, Biochemistry
 - o 3rd Spring: Physics II, Mammalian Physiology

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT A JAA PRE-HEALTH ADVISOR BY EMAILING PREHEALTH@KU.EDU.