

Purdue Veterinary Nursing Distance Learning Program Estimated Cost of Attendance

The tuition for attending the Veterinary Nursing Distance Learning (VNDL) program is \$270/credit hour. Tuition is the same for in-state, out-of-state, and international students. The cost of textbooks and supplies can vary as well as how much students pay for liability insurance throughout the program. We encourage students to contact Purdue’s Financial Aid office to learn about potential eligibility for financial aid.

Program Costs		
Tuition	\$270/credit for 70 required credits	\$18,900
Textbooks	Books, course materials, supplies, equipment	\$1,100*
Mentorship Liability Insurance	\$13/year paid only when students are registered for clinical mentorship courses.	\$26 - \$52
Estimated Total Cost		\$20,026 - \$20,052

* The cost of books, course materials, supplies and equipment are subject to change as courses and materials are updated.

Optional Program Costs		
Rabies Vaccination	The CDC recommends a two-dose rabies vaccination series.*	\$700-\$1,000 total for both doses**
In-Person Labs	Some limited opportunities are available for VNDL students to attend in-person labs to complete some of the required skills.***	\$800-\$1,300****
Estimated Total Optional Cost		\$1,500 - \$2,300

* The VNDL program highly encourages all students to complete the rabies vaccination series, although it is not mandatory. According to AVMA/CVTEA regulations, programs must either mandate students to receive the rabies vaccination or establish a comprehensive rabies mitigation plan. Any students who have not received the rabies vaccine are not permitted to work with animals that are unvaccinated or have an unknown vaccination status.

** The cost for the 2-dose human rabies vaccination series can vary a lot. This is an estimate of the cost for both doses. Check with your insurance provider for coverage details.

*** Attending in-person labs is not required to complete the program. In-person labs are opportunities for students to complete required skills on horses, ruminants, and lab/exotic animals, which they may not have access to in their practice.

**** Along with the tuition paid to register for the mentorship courses, students must also pay a separate fee to attend in-person labs. The cost varies depending on how many in-person labs a student needs to attend. This fee is used to pay for instructors, animals, and equipment/supplies used in the labs. This cost does not include travel, lodging, and food costs associated with attending an in-person lab.

Because we cannot guarantee that animals used for in-person labs will be rabies vaccinated, all students attending an in-person lab MUST be vaccinated for rabies.