

Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine Summer Research Program for DVM Students

Purdue University's College of Veterinary Medicine (PVM) is pleased to announce the availability of summer research fellowships for veterinary students interested in biomedical research and other non-practice careers.

The objective of this program is to provide an opportunity for veterinary students to gain experience in biomedical research. Selected veterinary students will participate in an eleven-week research project during the summer of 2026. Selected students will be paired with a faculty mentor in PVM or other colleges on campus who will work with them to design and conduct a research project on a topic in veterinary and/or comparative medicine.

At the end of the program, students will be expected to submit a written abstract and participate in a poster session highlighting their research. Students will also present their posters during the annual PVM Research Day the following spring (2027). Each student awarded a fellowship will receive a stipend of \$6,500. Participants are expected to work Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm. The program will begin on May 26, 2026. Please note that on-campus research will end August 3, 2026. August 7-9 (dates tentative) will be used for travel and to attend the National Veterinary Scholars Symposium (location TBD). DVM students are expected to attend the national symposium with travel expenses paid.

These fellowships are open to 1st and 2nd year veterinary students only. Applicants must be a US Citizen or Permanent Resident. Non-Purdue veterinary students are welcome to apply. Applicants may indicate preference for research in any area of biomedical research. However, selection of the research project will depend on availability. Applicants are welcome to contact any faculty in their area of interested research prior to submitting their application to see if projects may be available. Please note, not all faculty will serve as mentors. Areas of research emphasis in the PVM include:

- ❖ Infectious diseases and immunology
- ❖ Cancer
- ❖ Neuroscience
- ❖ Musculoskeletal biology and orthopedics
- ❖ Animal welfare science and human-animal bond

Application Procedures

- 1) Essay (no more than 2 pages, double-spaced) summarizing your career goals, motivation for application, and statement of how participation in this program will help you attain your goals
- 2) List the area(s) of your primary interest for summer study - Give reasons for this choice
- 3) Summary of previous research laboratory experience (experience is not required)
- 4) A resume
- 5) Copy of your most recent transcript (does not have to be an official copy)
- 6) Applications are due January 30, 2026
- 7) To apply go to: https://purdue.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6lmRUqriS6Ky7oq