

# Application Process

As a member of the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC), SGU uses the AAVMC's centralized Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS).

Most US citizens who are aspiring veterinary medical students use the AAVMC's application service to apply to veterinary medical schools that are accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).

VMCAS collects, processes, and submits application materials to the veterinary medical schools and responds to inquiries about the application process from applicants, advisors, parents, and schools. The system also has electronic evaluation and submission capability.

To apply through VMCAS, please visit: [aavmc.org/becoming-a-veterinarian](http://aavmc.org/becoming-a-veterinarian).

## Non-VMCAS Applicants

If you are not applying through VMCAS, you are able to apply through the SGU website. Downloading a PDF and completing it manually is the only option outside of applying through VMCAS.

All supporting documents must be in English or must have a certified English translation attached and must be originals or certified copies.

In addition to the completed application, the following are required:

1. Application fee\*: \$50 US for Pre-Veterinary medical and veterinary medical sciences.
2. Official secondary school transcripts.
3. Undergraduate coursework transcripts must be submitted by the undergraduate institution.
4. Official TOEFL or IELTS scores if English is not your principal language.
5. Students are required to request a minimum of two (2) letters of recommendation and may request a maximum of six (6) recommendations or one (1) Committee Letter. It is highly recommended that at least one letter be from a veterinarian with whom you have shadowed.
6. 1,500-word personal statement discussing the significant factors that led to your decision to pursue a career in veterinary medicine and how you see yourself using this career to make a difference in the world

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\*Application fee may be waived for applicants outside of the United States and Canada.