



Aab Pre Vet Fellowship Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Am I eligible to apply (meeting the January deadline) if my second year of pre vet curriculum ends in May?

A: Yes, but if there is a tie between two applicant's score, the applicant with more coursework is awarded the position.

Q: Do you ever accept more than one student or ever accept students outside of the summer schedule (last week of May through first week of August)?

A: No

Q: Do I need a car?

A: Yes. The U of R is located 7 miles from the Zoo. Public transportation from the U of R campus to the Zoo is poor.

Q: Do I share a dormitory room?

A: Yes. On rare occasion single rooms are available.

Q: May I apply after the deadline?

A: No

Q: Am I eligible if I am graduating in May?

A: Yes. You must be a pre vet undergraduate student at the time of application.

Q: What type of research projects have students completed?

A: Some have included:

- Reproductive endocrine profiling of African elephants
- Retrospective (12 Year) Analysis of Mortality in African black footed penguins
- Cross sectional survey of amphibians for chytridiomycosis (PCR)
- Nutrient and shell analysis of wild and captive Chittenango Ovate amber snails

Q: Would a PhD advisor be acceptable for a letter of recommendation instead of a veterinarian?

A: No

Q: What do I wear?

A: The Zoo provides scrub tops. The Aab Pre vet fellow provides their own shoes and pants (long or short).

Q: How is the candidate selected?

A: The admission committee uses an objective scoring system ranking applicants by experience in both traditional large and small and veterinary practices, letter of interest, veterinary recommendation and GPA.

Q: May I apply more than once?

A: Yes. However, a new application must be submitted.

Q: How many students apply?

A: 75 to 100 qualified applicants apply each year.

Q: May I apply if I attend college outside of the U.S.?

A: Yes.

Q: May I apply if I am preparing for veterinary technology?

A: No

Q: How often am I paid?

A: Once weekly payments of \$250 for five consecutive weeks.

Q: May I also work weekends?

A: Yes. The Aab Pre vet fellow may work with keepers in animal sections and the hospital on weekends.