Want to be a veterinarian?

“I chose ESP because I wanted to make new connections with people who have a strong love for veterinary medicine.”

-Srimona Bandyopadhyay-

A Doctorate in Veterinary Medicine degree opens doors to numerous, challenging career pathways. Graduates can practice in the field of food animal production, become a companion animal veterinarian, conduct biomedical research, serve in the government to regulate human and food animal safety, or choose from a number of other professions and industries.

The Enrichment Summer Program (ESP), sponsored by the Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion, provides academic advancement and career knowledge for undergraduate students interested in veterinary medicine. There is no fee to participate in ESP; campus housing and meals also are covered by the Program.

“I chose to do ESP because I wanted to learn more about the College and the application process.”

-Kelly Leary-

Am I eligible?

• Michigan permanent resident
• Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
• Completion of at least 50 percent of required prerequisites by June 2, 2019
• Intent to apply in the summer of 2019 for entrance to a professional program in the fall of 2020

When is ESP?

The Program runs from Sunday, June 2 through Friday, June 21, 2019. Orientation will be held on the afternoon of Sunday, June 2.

How do I apply?

The free online application opens November 1, 2018. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2019. Visit cvm.msu.edu/esp for more information.

“I want to solve the puzzle. I want to learn how systems work and how they fall apart. What causes it and how to fix it.”

-Jessica Gamble-
What are the benefits of ESP?

• Receive intensive preparation for professional school
• Obtain exposure to the diverse professional opportunities in veterinary medicine
• Develop more efficient studying and test-taking strategies
• Gain field and clinical experience with multiple species of animals
• Engage in specialized science disciplines
• Spend time with faculty mentors
• Attend seminars on communication and leadership, and prepare for the Veterinary Medical College Application Service (VMCAS) application
• Create lifelong bonds with fellow students
• Spend time at MSU’s beautiful campus

What does ESP involve?

Participants will experience a robust didactic curriculum, leadership development sessions, and clinical learning opportunities.

Content areas include:
• Anatomy lab, epidemiology, histopathology, medical terminology, microbiology, and physiology

Clinical experiences include:
• Emergency medicine, diagnostic ultrasound, internal medicine, oncology, and soft tissue surgery

Leadership development workshops include:
• Career development, financial health, work-life balance, and written and verbal communication

What are the expectations of ESP participants?

• Commitment to all assigned program component and offerings
• Respect for self, others, ESP, and the College
• Professional conduct and attire at all times

“My favorite part of ESP was how it focused on mental health and self-awareness in preparation for veterinary school.”

~Morgan Schriber~

“I learned it’s okay to not know what I want to do with my DVM degree because there are limitless possibilities to what my career could be.”

~Joseph Preston~