

# Veterinary Sciences: DVSc

A unique post-professional doctoral-level degree at the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC), the DVSc program brings together clinical-diagnostic skill training and advanced research in veterinary science. This cross-departmental program, drawing on OVC's research-intensive Clinical Studies, Pathobiology, and Population Medicine departments, equips graduates with investigatory skills to contribute to the scientific dialogue and the advancement of specialty areas such as anesthesiology, radiology, surgery, neurology, health management, and pathology.

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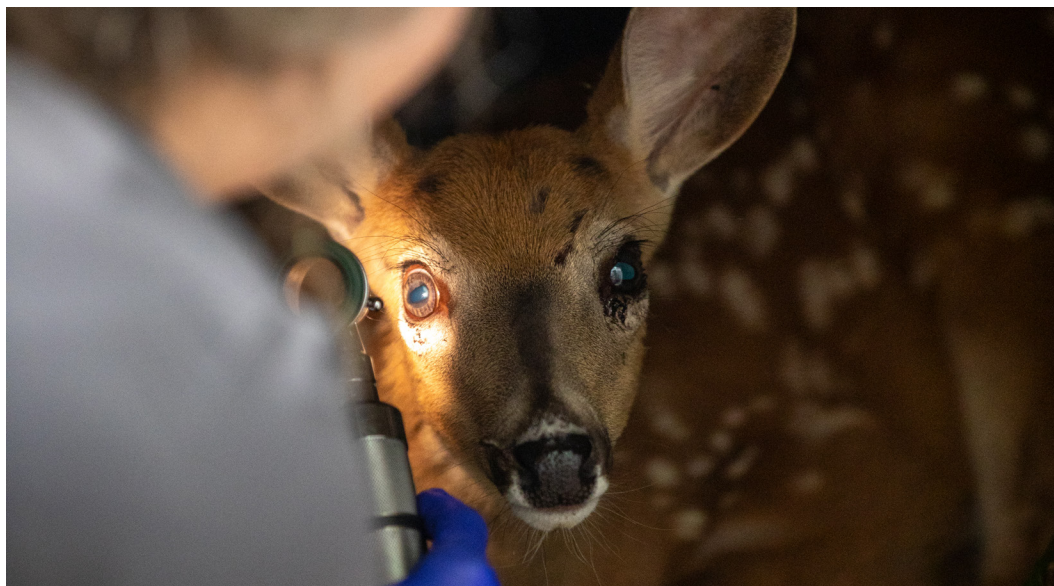
## PROGRAM

The DVSc program is completed in 3 or 4 years, depending on the chosen specialty area. The training received in the areas of clinical specialization is appropriate for preparation for specialty Board certification.

## RESEARCH FIELDS

- Clinical Pharmacology
- Comparative Medicine
- Small and Large Animal Medicine
- Small and Large Animal Surgery
- Emergency Medicine and Critical Care
- Anesthesiology
- Radiology
- Neurology
- Oncology
- Clinical Nutrition
- Clinical Pathology
- Anatomic Pathology
- Laboratory-Animal Science
- Clinical Microbiology
- Wildlife and Zoo Animal Medicine and Pathology
- Clinical Epidemiology
- Ruminant Health Management
- Swine Health Management
- Theriogenology

**Application Deadline:**  
Ongoing



## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A DVM or equivalent degree that would allow the applicant to be eligible for licence to practice veterinary medicine in Ontario is required for admissions consideration.

Clinical Studies DVSc applicants must apply to and be matched through the Veterinary Internship & Residency Matching Program ([virmp.org](http://virmp.org)).

## FUNDING

DVSc students receive a minimum stipend of \$40,000 per year for the duration of their program.

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- Advanced clinical skills training
- Specialty veterinary sciences

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Specialized veterinary practitioner
- Diagnostician
- Researcher

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