



ANIMAL SCIENCE

PRE-VETERINARY OPTION



University of Findlay

Program Overview

Becoming a veterinarian requires a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree and licensure and admission to veterinary school is highly competitive. University of Findlay Animal Science students in the Pre-Veterinary option gain a distinct advantage through early, hands-on animal experience and rigorous academic preparation.

UF's Animal Science Pre-Veterinary pathway offers multiple program options designed to meet veterinary school prerequisites while immersing students in experiential learning. Beginning as early as the sophomore year, students work directly with a wide range of animal species, gaining practical skills under the guidance of experienced faculty and veterinary professionals. With personalized academic advising and professional school preparation, UF students graduate confident, competitive, and well prepared to pursue veterinary medicine.

Program Highlights

Personalized Attention - We pride ourselves on small class sizes that allow for personalized instruction, hands-on animal handling, and close faculty mentorship in applied learning environments.

Study Abroad Options - UF students have opportunities for international animal experience through study abroad courses.

31,000 sq-ft Multi-Species Facility - Students manage hundreds of farm animals daily under the supervision of our barn managers and certified veterinarians at our Dr. C. Richard Beckett Animal Science Building.

High Vet School Acceptance Rate - Graduates of Findlay's Animal Science/ Pre-Veterinary Medicine Program have a first-time acceptance rate of 80% over the past 10 years.

WHY PRE-VET?

UF's hands-on, academically rigorous pre-veterinary pathway combines animal handling, agricultural sciences, and individualized faculty mentorship to prepare students with the experience, confidence, and competitive edge needed for veterinary school success.

ABOUT OUR FACULTY

The University of Findlay's Animal Science faculty blend strong scientific expertise with hands-on, experiential learning. Through engaging coursework, applied laboratories, and close mentorship, faculty prepare students for meaningful careers in animal industries, veterinary and graduate programs, food systems, and related professions.

LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS

UF has close relationships with relationships with veterinary clinics as well as the Humane Society and SPCA of Hancock County.

4700

Approximately 4700 students enrolled University-wide

20

consecutive years ranked in U.S. News & World Report's annual survey of "America's Best Colleges"

153

153-acre Western Farm and Animal Sciences Center 8 miles south of campus

PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS AND GRAD SCHOOLS OUR STUDENTS ATTEND:



BATTELLE



CAMPUS LIFE:

UF Students may participate in any of more than 100 organizations, including special interest clubs, student media, student government, music and theater groups, service clubs, academic honorary organizations, spiritual life groups, and Greek sororities and fraternities. Findlay also has an intramural program with 25 activities, including flag football, basketball, co-ed volleyball, billiards, bowling and more.

ANIMAL SCIENCE MAJORS MAY PARTICIPATE IN:

- Pre-Vet Club
- Collegiate Future Farmers of America
- Block & Bridle
- Southdown Sheep Show Team
- Beef-Cattle Show Team

SAMPLE CURRICULUM Placement into English, Math, and Chemistry course are determined by reported scores from standardized tests, UF placement tests, or prior credit (CCP/AP). Upon evaluation a prerequisite may be required.

Year 1

Fall Semester

General Chemistry I with Lab**	4 hrs
College Writing II	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	4 hrs
Introduction to Animal Science+	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice	2 hrs
First-year Experience for Animal Science Majors+	1 hr

Spring Semester

General Chemistry II with Lab+	4 hrs
Statistics+	4 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	2 hrs

Year 2

Fall Semester

Organic Chemistry I with Lab+	4 hrs
Biodiversity, Form and Function with Lab	4 hrs
CORE+ course choice with Lab*	4 hrs
Principles of Food Animal Nutrition+ or Physiology of Reproduction & Growth+	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs

Spring Semester

Organic Chemistry II with Lab+	4 hrs
Introduction to Cell & Molecular Biology with Lab	3 hrs
General Physics II with Lab	4 hrs
Principles of Food Animal Nutrition+ or Physiology of Reproduction & Growth+	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs

Year 3

Fall Semester

Small Animal Medicine+	3 hrs
Biochemistry+	4 hrs
Human Genetics with Lab+	4 hrs
Vertebrate Anatomy with Lab+	4 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs

Spring Semester

Vertebrate Physiology with Lab+	4 hrs
Microbiology with Lab	4 hrs
Food Animal Medicine	3 hrs
Production & Management Lab	1 hr
Graduate/Professional School Seminar	1 hr
Animal Science Junior Seminar	1 hr

Year 4

Fall Semester

Cell Biology	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs
Production & Management Lab	1 hr
Animal Science Elective	3 hrs
Production & Management Lecture+	3 hrs

Spring Semester

Immunology	3 hrs
Senior Seminar in Animal Science+	1 hr
Animal Science Elective	3 hrs
CORE+ course choice*	3 hrs
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*Indicates course can be any course which fulfills the CORE+ general education requirements

+Indicates course is an Animal Science Requirement

*+ Indicates course is both an Animal Science Requirement and fulfills a CORE+ general education requirement



"Sense of community."

"At Findlay what I love the most is the sense of community around the campus and I am looking forward to growing and finishing my degree."

– Jenna Viaene



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