Academic Requirements

All applicants and students in the professional program are subject to the academic and disciplinary regulations of the College of Veterinary Medicine in addition to those of Auburn University.

Any student who earns less than a 2.25 GPA for any term will be placed on academic probation (academic warning). A student who fails to earn a 2.25 GPA in each of the succeeding two terms of enrollment will be dropped from the rolls of the College of Veterinary Medicine for scholastic deficiency. In addition, a student who does not have a veterinary college cumulative average of 2.25 at the end of any academic year will be required to withdraw from the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Any student who receives a D in any course will be placed on academic probation. If the student receives a second D in the same calendar year or academic year, they will be required to withdraw from the College of Veterinary Medicine.

A student will be removed from academic probation after two terms, assuming they have met the terms of probation.

A student who makes a grade of F in any course will be required to withdraw from the College of Veterinary Medicine. If a student who is dismissed for academic reasons is re-admitted, they may be required to repeat additional courses as deemed necessary by the Admissions and Standards Committee.

Clinical courses are unique in that the art and skills to be developed in them can be acquired only through full participation in the laboratories. Attendance in these courses is required except in case of illness or other extenuating circumstances as may be judged by the involved instructor. Grading in these clinical laboratory courses is primarily by subjective evaluation. When a course involves student rotation through several disciplines or sections, the student must receive a passing grade in each area before a passing grade can be given for the course.

Any student who earns a D or F in any clinical rotation will be placed on academic probation. If the student receives a second F during clinical rotations, that student will be required to withdraw from the College of Veterinary Medicine. If the student receives a second and third D or F during clinical rotations (i.e., D-D-F or D-D-D), that student will be required to withdraw from the College of Veterinary Medicine. If the college admissions and standards committee permits re-admission, the student may be required to repeat all clinical experiences to meet the requirements for the clinical year.
Required Withdrawal

The faculty of the College of Veterinary Medicine reserve the right to require the withdrawal at any time of any student who in the judgment of the Admissions and Standards Committee is not profiting from the instruction offered, who is neglectful, dishonest or indifferent in the performance of required duties and studies or whose character or conduct is inconsistent with good order of the veterinary college or with the standard of the veterinary profession.

Requirements for graduation

To be eligible for the D.V.M. degree, candidates must complete all of the required courses in the order listed in the curriculum in veterinary medicine, along with at least four hours of elective credit, with a minimum overall GPA of 2.25. In addition, each senior student must participate in a clinicopathologic conference (CPC) to fulfill their oral communication requirement. Following completion of all academic work, each student is required to serve a preceptorship of 8 weeks with an approved practicing veterinarian. A report of satisfactory completion of the preceptorship is required for graduation. A graduation fee must be paid at the beginning of the semester of graduation and all indebtedness due the institution must be paid prior to graduation.