

**WICHE VETERINARY MEDICINE SCHOOLS
COOPERATIVE ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES**

1. When applying for state certification, each veterinary medicine applicant will sign a "Statement of Understanding" acknowledging the advantage of applying to all participating programs, and a "Statement of Intent" acknowledging that they understand that they must remain WICHE funded for the duration of their veterinary education.
2. By November 15, each state certifying office will send an alphabetical listing of certified applicants to the WICHE Boulder office.
3. A collective listing of certifications will be sent to each cooperating veterinary medical school.
4. After the application deadline for cooperating schools, the participating veterinary medical schools will rank applicants from each participating WICHE state using their regular admissions criteria.
5. These rankings will be returned to WICHE Boulder. The information provided by the veterinary schools will be consolidated, resulting in a single integrated ranking for each state.
6. Prior to offers being made, WICHE Boulder will provide the schools with an alphabetical list of certified applicants for whom funding is anticipated (pending Legislative appropriation) if accepted to a WICHE program.
7. At a date agreed to by all cooperating veterinary medical schools (presumably in March), all WICHE schools will be eligible to make offers to as many or as few WICHE certified students as they choose. Using the list provided by WICHE Boulder, the schools will have some idea which students may be supported pending Legislative appropriation. Students will have until April 1 to respond to all offers.
8. At the same time, the veterinary medical schools may also make "at large" offers to students who will NOT be WICHE supported.
9. The names of all students receiving offers (supported and "at large") will be reported to the WICHE Boulder office at the time the offer is made. Those names will be reported individually to the certifying offices.
10. After the April 1 deadline, vacancies created by students who decline all offers or who elect to attend a school out-of-region, will be filled by WICHE Boulder indicating the next ranked student in any given state. That name will be given to all veterinary medical schools, and they will proceed as in #8 above, giving the student approximately two weeks to respond to the offer(s).
11. For those students applying to the University of California, Davis, that program has agreed to make up to a maximum of two (2) offers to certified applicants, from all WICHE states, each year. However, these offers will be designated nonresident, and not supportable through the WICHE Professional Student Exchange Program.

NOTE: There will be no "early acceptances" (students receiving offers in November or December who meet special GPA and GRE criteria.)

No "targets" or "quotas" will exist for any cooperating veterinary medical school. Students will be free to accept the school of their choice, subject to school interest.

Students will not be permitted deferred enrollment should they decide to delay admission.

Schools will be permitted to place "at large" offers to WICHE certified applicants at any time as outlined above.

Students who accept an "at large" offer will not subsequently be supported. Therefore, students who accept an "at large" offer will pay nonresident tuition rates for four years.