

Getting Into Competitive Veterinary Medicine Courses

Royal Veterinary College

Answered on video

- I already have a degree in humanities and looking to retrain, is there any guidance on what qualifications/access learning I would need to be looking at? Thanks!
- We have had a question that asks 'What happens if I join a vet school that isn't accredited and it doesn't then get accredited? Can that happen?'
- What is the reasoning behind not looking at personal statements of applicants?

Additional Q&As

We have had a question that asks 'What is the average pay for a veterinary surgeon? And are there many job opportunities?'

Typically (but it does depend on location, hours, other perks, experience, responsibilities): £30-50k.

If a new school is in collaboration with an existing vet school (i.e. in the case of Aberystwyth and RVC) would this benefit them in obtaining their accreditation?

We have many years of experience (founded in 1791); so have passed many RCVS accreditation visits and will obviously be using that experience as we continue to develop the RVC/Aber course. However, all new veterinary schools, as well as collaborative new schools will put the same amount of effort into passing such a visit for the good of the students on the course and the patients that those graduates will treat.

What if you were to achieve AA in biology and chemistry but B in the optional subject?

It depends upon the offer that one receives from a veterinary school. If an applicant receives an AAA offer, then the grades above obviously don't meet entry requirements - so the school isn't obliged to accept that student. There is of course the possibility that a school may make an AAB offer; in which case the above grades meet it - so you would be able to enter this school (as long as you meet any other conditions in the offer).

