

New Class Being Offered at MET Spring 2020

They have paid internships too!

Pre-Veterinary Society GBM: VA-MD VetTRAC 11/20/19



What Is It?

- Week long exploration camp for undergrads thinking of pursuing vet-med.
 - Especially good if you're interested in VA-MD.
- Key components about the program:
 - Meet the admissions team and teachers.
 - Learn as if you were a vet student there.
 - Get a feel for the campus.
- More information on their website.
 - ➤ Video.



Application

- This is was it was like for our cycle, could change in the future.
- Eligibility:
 - ➤ 18+ years old.
 - Done at least 2 semesters of undergrad.
- Cost:
 - > \$200 (may change) & transportation.
 - We got housing, food, lab coat, coveralls,2 shirts, and a great experience.



Application Cont.

- No references needed.
- Transcript.
- Resume (Vet and Animal Experience, Research, Employment, Club Involvement, Honors and Awards, Community Service).
- Short Answers (250 words, 1500 characters):
 - > Describe how your educational experiences are preparing you for success.
 - Describe two ways in which you may help advance the <u>Principles of Community</u> that are central to Virginia Tech as an institution.
 - Describe one characteristic of leadership that you value and how you, as an individual, portray that characteristic.
- Go to the Writing Center and Career Center to have this all reviewed.

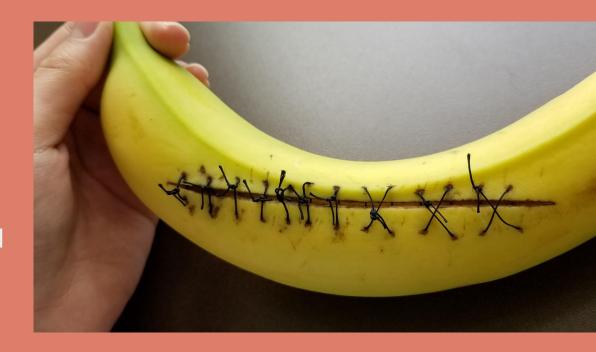
Lectures and Lab Experience

- Stress-Free Cat Handling
- Integrative Medicine
- Medical Math
- Pathology looked at preserved specimens and diagnosed cause of death



Clinical Skills

- Suturing
- Putting on gloves while maintaining sterility
- Using an ophthalmoscope
- Took OSCEs at the end of the week tests vet students are given



Hands-On with Animals!



Dog physical

- Large animal
 - Sheep physical
 - Cow milking and parlor experience





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Downtime & End of the Week Events

- VTech campus and Blacksburg area
- Wednesday night bowling!
- Assigned a group at the beginning of the week to give a presentation on various aspects of vet. med
 - Scavenger hunt around campus
- Met 1-on-1 with advisor to talk about resume, GPA, etc.

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Similar Camps at Other Schools

- UPenn Summer VETS:
 - > \$1000 cost, no housing, 1 week program, application fee and references needed.
- Ohio only has middle and high school camps.
 - > Same for North Carolina, Colorado, Georgia, Auburn, Mississippi (10-17 yrs old).
- ❖ UC Davis' Summer Enrichment Program:
 - 5 week program, \$500 stipend, transport/food/housing not included.
- University of Florida Summer Health Professions Education Program:
 - Health profession related but still have vet-med focused stuff, free program, provide housing/food/transport reimbursed, application is already live, only for people with less than 60 credits, <u>bat house visits</u>, \$600 stipend, references needed but high school teachers accepted.
- I'm sure there are more! If you're interested in a specific vet school, search on their website to see what you can find.

Links to More Information

- Articles about previous VetTrac's:
 - https://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2018/07/vetmed-vettrac-2018.html
 - https://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2017/08/vetmed-vettrac.html
 - https://vtnews.vt.edu/articles/2016/09/vetmed-vettrac.html
 - https://www.veterinarypracticenews.com/virginia-tech-holds-inaugural-veterinary-medicine-science-camp/