



## **Deferral Policy**

### Policy for Requests for Deferral of DVM Admission

Admitted applicants may request a one-year deferral of their DVM admission. Each deferral request is reviewed by the Office of DVM Admissions and may be granted for extenuating circumstances such as active military service, unique educational opportunity, fellowship program, or family or medical emergency. Deferrals beyond one year are not allowed. Tuition classification cannot be changed through a deferral. If the acceptance letter stipulates successful completion of coursework or any other requirement in order to validate the admissions offer, those requirements must be met for the deferral to be granted; requirements may not be postponed.

Applicant responsibilities include:

- 1) Submit a written request for deferment to the Office of DVM Admissions prior to May 15, or in the case of emergency as soon as the situation is known. The last day a deferral will be granted is the third Monday of the first fall semester. After this date, a student needing to leave the Program in their first semester must withdraw from the Program. Should the student wish to reenter the DVM Program, they must reapply as a new applicant. A student may request a one-year Leave of Absence only after successful completion of one semester.
- 2) Communicate successful completion of any requirements to the Office of DVM Admissions (for example, submit an official transcript verifying successful completion of coursework).
- 3) Ensure that tuition classification/residency status will not be altered by participation in activities during the deferral period (for example, if traveling out of state for an extended educational opportunity).
- 4) If the deferral is approved, upon notification of the approval, “Decline” the offer of admission online and notify the Office of DVM Admissions (DVMAdmissions@colostate.edu) of the entry.
- 5) If the student has financial aid, they must meet with a representative from CSU Student Financial Services to determine a loan management strategy. If a student is receiving WICHE support, they must contact their WICHE representative to report the deferral.