

TO: Purdue and Non-Purdue Undergraduates Interested in Veterinary Medical Research
FROM: John F. Van Vleet, Assoc Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Veterinary Medicine
DATE: November 26, 2007
RE: **Undergraduate Veterinary Research Fellowships for Summer 2008**

The School of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue University is pleased to announce the establishment of a summer research opportunity for undergraduate students interested in veterinary medicine.

The objective of this program is to provide an opportunity for undergraduate students to experience biomedical research. Up to four undergraduate students will be selected to participate in a short, twelve-week research project during the summer of 2008. The students who are selected will be paired with a faculty mentor in the SVM who will work with them to design and conduct a research project on a topic related to their research in veterinary and/or comparative medicine. At the end of the summer, the students will be asked to submit a written report and participate in a poster session highlighting their research. Each student awarded a fellowship will receive a stipend of \$3,000 for twelve weeks of work.

These fellowships are open to undergraduate students and non-Purdue students are welcome to apply. The selected students may elect to work on a project in any of the following broad disciplines: anatomy, physiology, clinical sciences, or pathobiology. **These fellowships are intended to promote interest in non-practice careers.**

Applications are to be made to Dr. Van Vleet by Friday, February 1, 2008. (See below for application procedures.) The selected students will be matched with faculty mentors before the end of the semester. The successful candidates will be expected to submit a written report on their research project at the end of the summer experience.

Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship Awards Application Procedures

1. Provide an essay summarizing your career goals, motivation for application, and statement of how participation in this program will help student attain goals. (No more than two typed, double-spaced pages.) *A copy of your undergraduate transcripts must be submitted with the essay.*
2. List the area(s) of your primary interest for summer study (discipline, e.g., pathology). Give reasons for this choice.
3. Give a summary of your previous research laboratory experience (if any).

Application deadline is Friday, February 1, 2008.

Successful candidates will be notified by February 15, 2008.



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Purdue students can bring their application to Dr. John Van Vleet's office, Lynn Hall Room 1176.

Applications from non-Purdue students can be mailed to:

**Dr. John F. Van Vleet
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Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine
625 Harrison Street
West Lafayette, IN 47907-2026**

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