

The Council has proposed the following revisions for Standard 3, Physical Facilities and Equipment (additions underscored, deletions ~~struck~~):

### Standard 5, Information Resources

Timely access to information resources and information professionals must be available to students and faculty at core training sites. The college ~~must~~shall have access to ~~well-maintained~~up-to-date ~~the~~ human, digital, and physical resources for retrieval of relevant veterinary and supporting literature and for development of instructional materials, and provide appropriate training and technical support for students and faculty. The program must be able to demonstrate, using its outcomes assessment data, that students are competent in retrieving, evaluating, and efficiently applying information through the use of electronic and other appropriate information technologies.

**Proposed Change(s) to Self-Study Requirements** (additions underscored, deletions ~~struck~~)  None

- 12.5.1 Describe and comment on the adequacy of information retrieval and learning resources.
- 12.5.2 Briefly describe the availability of learning and information technology resources support for faculty and students, including personnel and their qualifications.
- 12.5.3 Describe the methods of access to library information resources for faculty and students when they are on and off campus, the reliability of the access, and where necessary, security considerations.
- 12.5.4 Describe the resources (training, support) provided and available to students for improving their skills in accessing and evaluating information ~~relevant to veterinary medicine~~ for sources in any media relevant to veterinary medicine.
- 12.5.5 Describe assessment of students' skills in retrieving, evaluating, and efficiently applying information pertinent to veterinary medical science including in clinical case management as a part of lifelong learning.
- 12.5.6. Describe current plans for improvement.

### Rationale for Proposed Change(s)

*In the Standard, it is proposed that the college ensure that up-to-date technical support is available for students and faculty since rapid advances in technology create new tools and programs.*

*12.5.3 Students report that access to resources from off campus locations can be problematic and may contain inherent risk of cybersecurity.*

*12.5.4 Training and support should be actively provided in addition to passively available.*

*12.5.5 The Standard references outcomes assessment related to the use of IR but no directive exists in the self study requirements.*