

## Notice of accreditation actions by the AVMA Council on Education September 2020

The AVMA Council on Education (COE) is recognized by the United State Department of Education as the accrediting agency for colleges and schools of veterinary medicine in the US. In keeping with the regulations of the United States Department of Education, the following are the accreditation actions taken by the AVMA COE.

The Council took the following actions during its August 30 to September 1, 2020 meeting.

*Accredited is a classification granted to a college that has no deficiencies in any of the Standards and is granted for a period of up to seven years. A college with one or more minor deficiencies that have minimal or no effect on student learning or safety, that can be reasonably be addressed in one year, are Accredited with minor deficiencies. Colleges with a status of Accredited submit annual interim reports to monitor continued compliance with the Standards of Accreditation. Colleges with a status of Accredited with minor deficiencies submit reports twice a year.*

Based on evaluation of a comprehensive site visit that took place in Spring 2020:

- **University of Georgia, College of Veterinary Medicine** – [Accredited](#) with minor deficiency (Standard 11, Outcomes Assessment)

Based on a review of progress reports submitted and granted accreditation status as follows:

- **University of Calgary Faculty of Veterinary Medicine** – [Accredited](#) with minor deficiency (Standard 3, Physical Facilities and Equipment)
- **Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine** – Accredited
- **Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine**– [Accredited](#) with minor deficiency (Standard 11 Outcomes Assessment)
- **Universite de Montreal College of Veterinary Medicine** – Accredited
- **Western University of Health Sciences College of Veterinary Medicine** – [Accredited](#) with minor deficiency (Standard 2, Finances)

Additionally, annual interim reports were reviewed by the COE and granted continued accreditation status as follows:

- **Murdoch University, School of Veterinary and Life Sciences** – Accredited

**Probationary Accreditation** is granted to a college that has one or more major deficiencies that have more than minimal impact on student learning or safety. These deficiencies must be corrected in two years. College must submit reports to the Council every six months. If minor deficiencies are not corrected within one year, a college will be placed on Probationary Accreditation for one additional year. College must submit reports to the Council every six months.

Based on review of a progress report:

- **Purdue University, College of Veterinary Medicine** – Continued [probationary accreditation](#) with major deficiency (Standard 3, Physical Facilities & Equipment) and minor deficiency (Standard 2, Finances)
- **University of Sydney, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine** – [Probationary Accreditation](#) with minor deficiency (Standard 3, Physical Facilities and Equipment)

*If a college granted Reasonable Assurance is making adequate progress in complying with the Standards, **Provisional Accreditation** may be granted to that college on the date that letters of acceptance (admission) are mailed to members of the initial class. When Provisional Accreditation is granted, interim reports are required at six-month intervals to monitor the program's progress in complying with the Standards. In particular, changes in business or educational plans must be addressed in detail. Provisional Accreditation status may remain in effect no more than five years if the program complies with the necessary requirements. A program with Provisional Accreditation for five years or that does not provide continuing evidence that its program will comply with the Standards and its plan may be placed on Terminal Accreditation.*

Continued Provisional Accreditation based on the review of a biannual report:

- **Long Island University, College of Veterinary Medicine**, Brookville, New York
- **University of Arizona, College of Veterinary Medicine**, Tucson, Arizona

*Reasonable Assurance is the classification granted to a US or Canadian institution seeking initial accreditation. Reasonable Assurance is not a preaccreditation action by the Council and does not confer accreditation of any kind on a developing college. A letter may be granted to an educational institution indicating that there is reasonable assurance of future accreditation of a developing college of veterinary medicine in the US or Canada, if such a college is established according to detailed plans presented to the Council, and if these plans demonstrate intent and a realistic plan to comply with the Standards of Accreditation. Reasonable Assurance may lead to Provisional Accreditation. Reasonable Assurance may be renewed annually by the Council for a maximum of three years based on progress documented in writing twice a year (July and January). If a developing institution granted Reasonable Assurance fails to continue to demonstrate that its plan to develop its program will comply with the Standards, or if the program significantly changes its plan without notifying the Council, the Council may withdraw the classification of Reasonable Assurance.*

Based on evaluation of a comprehensive virtual site visit that took place in Spring 2020:

- **Texas Tech University, School of Veterinary Medicine**, Lubbock, Texas – granted a Letter of Reasonable Assurance for a period not to exceed three (3) years.