UCVM Admissions – Review of the 2020/2021 cycle

The online application opened on October 1, 2020 and closed on November 27, 2020.

Overall, 327 applications were received before the deadline. After reviewing all the applications, 271 were deemed to be “qualified”. 56 applicants were deemed to be “not qualified” based on missing information (e.g. submission of residency documentation, etc.), submission of an incomplete application, or failure to meet the minimum academic requirements (e.g. missing a required course(s), measures of GPA not meeting the stated 3.0 minimum, etc.).

The average “10-course GPA” of qualified applicants was 3.58 (range 3.0 - 4.0). For the 2019/20 admissions cycle, it was 3.45.

The average “4-term GPA” of qualified applicants was 3.7 (range 3.0 - 4.0). For the 2019/20 admissions cycle, it was 3.65.

Due to the COVID – 19 Pandemic the in person MMI interview day was cancelled. Invitations for interviews were sent out to 136 applicants. The cut-off for the “4-term GPA” to be offered an interview this year was 3.73. Due to the cancellation of the in-person MMI’s, the 136 applicants who were offered an interview took the CASPer test by Altus Assessments on March 23rd, 2021.

After receiving the CASPer Scores, the final grades from the Winter 2021 term, along with implementing the rules around credit received (CR), or receiving an actual grade on official transcripts, all the data was finalized. Final admission score for each applicant was calculated based on the following weighting: 4-Term GPA (45%), CASPer score (45%), References (10%) and a rank-order list of all applicants was made.

Offers were made to 51 applicants on Friday June 11, 2021. After receiving acceptance or decline letters from individuals on our initial offer list, applicants on the waitlist were contacted and the UCVM Class of 2025 was finalized on Monday, August 16, 2021.

Of the successful applicants for the Class of 2025:

- 1 is gender-neutral/ 44 are female/ 6 are male,
- 30/51 are first-time applicants,
- 34/51 studied in Alberta prior to applying,
- The average “10-course GPA” was 3.56 (range 3.09 - 4.0),
- The average 4-term GPA was 3.95 (range 3.85 - 4.0),
- Successful applicants stated the following as their primary areas of interest: GVP (7), PAH (8), EPH (12), Small Animal (12), IM (3), Equine (8), other (1).