

## Notice of accreditation actions by the AVMA Council on Education Fall 2015

The AVMA Council on Education is recognized by the United States 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 American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Council on Education (COE). The Council on Education implemented a new protocol for evaluating a school's compliance with the Standards of Accreditation effective March 2014. This protocol was used during the review of the following evaluations.

A full description of the new accreditation protocol can be found in the COE's March 2014 Policy and Procedure manual

([https://www.avma.org/ProfessionalDevelopment/Education/Accreditation/Colleges/Documents/coe\\_pp.pdf](https://www.avma.org/ProfessionalDevelopment/Education/Accreditation/Colleges/Documents/coe_pp.pdf)).

The Council took the following actions during its September 27-29, 2015 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 visits that took place in spring 2015:

- **University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine**  
Accredited for a period not to exceed seven years
- **University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine**  
Accredited with a minor deficiency (Standard 3-Physical Facilities and Equipment)
- **Colorado State University College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences**  
Accredited for a period not to exceed seven years

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

- **University of Melbourne Faculty of Veterinary Science, Werribee, Victoria, Australia**  
Granted continued Accredited status
- **Murdoch University School of Veterinary and Biomedical Sciences, Murdoch, Western Australia**  
Granted continued Accredited status with minor deficiencies with Standard 4, Clinical Resources and Standard 8, Faculty

*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 biannual report:

- **Midwestern University College of Veterinary Medicine**
- **Lincoln Memorial University College of Veterinary Medicine**