

THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
AgScholars Program

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS**

***Current High School Seniors***

1. Achieve a composite score of 27 on the American College Test (ACT) or an equivalent score on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).
2. Complete the enclosed Application.
3. Fill out the top line and the bottom portion of the Guidance Counselor Report and give it to your counselor for completion. An official copy of your transcript of high-school work completed to date must be attached to this report from your counselor.
4. Fill out the top line and the bottom portion of each of the Admission Evaluation Forms. Two forms should be completed by your teachers, at least one of who is a science teacher. The other form may be completed by a teacher or by another person who knows you well. (three evaluations, in addition to the Guidance Counselors Report, must be submitted to complete the application)
5. Complete an application for admission to the undergraduate program at the University of Missouri-Columbia. (Failure to complete this application makes you ineligible for the AgScholar Program.)
6. It is suggested that you give your counselor and each of your evaluators a return envelope that has already been stamped and addressed to AgScholar Program, W203 Vet. Med. Bldg., UMC, Columbia, MO 65211.
7. **Applications must be received in our office by April 1 of senior year or September 15 as MU freshman.**
8. Completed application files will be reviewed by a screening committee for a decision to offer an interview. Interviews will be held between April 1 - May 1 or September 15 – November 1. The selection committee will meet on a regular basis to review applicants who have been interviewed, and applicants will be notified of decisions in a timely manner. Please note that earlier applications will receive earlier consideration and response.

***Current University of Missouri-Columbia Freshmen (1<sup>st</sup> semester freshman follow HS instructions above)***

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4. Fill out the top line and bottom portion of each of the Admission Evaluation Forms. At least one form must be completed by a high-school science teacher and at least one form by an MU professor from whom you took a course this academic year. (If applying Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> no MU faculty is required) The other form may be completed by an instructor (high-school or MU) or by another person who knows you well.
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6. After Fall grades have been posted on your MU transcript, request an official transcript to be sent to the address in #5 above. (If applying Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> no fall grades are needed)
7. **The deadline for applications to be received in our office for MU freshmen is September 15 or April 1.**
8. Completed applications will be reviewed by a screening committee for a decision to offer an interview. Interviews will be held September 15 - November 1 or April 1 – May 1. The selection committee will meet on a regular basis to review applicants who have been interviewed, and applicants will be notified of decisions in a timely manner.



**University of Missouri-Columbia AgScholars Program  
APPLICATION FOR 2010 MATRICULATION**

(Must be received in our office by April 1 or September 15)

INSTRUCTIONS: Please print or type

Return to: Office of Admissions  
W-203 Veterinary Medicine Building  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
University of Missouri  
Columbia, MO 65211

Optional:  
Attach photograph here  
(Write your name on back of photograph)

ACT SCORE \_\_\_\_\_  
(Minimum to Apply: 27 ACT or equivalent SAT)

Name _____		
<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>
Permanent Address _____		
<i>Street and Number</i>		<i>City, State, Zip</i>
Telephone No. (____) _____		
<i>Area Code</i>		<i>Number</i>
Birthday _____		Place of Birth _____
<i>Month Day Year</i>		
U.S. Citizen ____ Yes ____ No		Permanent U.S. Resident ____ Yes ____ No

Father/Guardian _____	
Address _____	Telephone _____
<i>Street and Number</i>	
_____	
<i>City, State, Zip</i>	
Mother/Guardian _____	
Address _____	Telephone _____
<i>Street and Number</i>	
_____	
<i>City, State, Zip</i>	

List, in order, all high schools attended:

Name of High School

City and State

Dates of Attendance  
From To

Graduation  
Year

Current \_\_\_\_\_

Previous \_\_\_\_\_

List high school courses taken that were Honors Courses \_\_\_\_\_

List high school courses for which advanced placement was received \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken college courses while in high school? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, indicate the institution, courses, and grades received \_\_\_\_\_

School activities \_\_\_\_\_

Other activities (community, church, employment, medically-related, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Honors received \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Information Requested for MU Student**

MU Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Semester Enrolled at MU \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Courses for which advanced placement or CLEP credit was received \_\_\_\_\_

General Honors courses taken \_\_\_\_\_

Activities \_\_\_\_\_

Academic advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**In the space provided, please describe your experience or interest in livestock production and health.**  
(Such as participation in a livestock enterprise as either a family member or employee; high school enrollment in at least two years of agriculture course work; or participation in FFA, 4H or equivalent organizations with projects directly related to either livestock production or health.)

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## GUIDANCE COUNSELOR REPORT

(Must be received in our office by April 1 or September 15)

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Please complete both sides of this form and attach **a copy of the candidate's transcript** as well as results of the student's performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) and any achievement tests. This report is confidential and will be available only to those involved in our admission process. Supplementary transcripts of the applicant's performance in the senior year should be sent as they become available.

Counselor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Please print)*

School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street address City State Zip*

Telephone number (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ School's Code Number \_\_\_\_\_  
*Number Extension*

Length of time acquainted with candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Grade point average to date is \_\_\_\_\_ based on a scale with A=\_\_\_\_\_.

The candidate's rank is \_\_\_\_\_ \* in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ students.

Give an approximate percentage of the candidate's graduating class that plans to attend a four-year college?

\_\_\_\_\_

\*(If no rank is available, please enclose information which allows the faculty committee to assess the candidate's academic strength in relation to fellow students.)

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To be completed by the candidate (please sign A or B):

A: I hereby waive my right to see this evaluation should I matriculate at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

B: I decline to waive my right to see this evaluation should I matriculate at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# GUIDANCE COUNSELOR REPORT

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please write a current appraisal of the candidate's academic and personal qualities and promise as a candidate for the AgScholars program. We are particularly interested in evidence of the student's character, maturity, independence, values, and any special talent or quality that the candidate possesses. We are interested in a brief narrative that will give us added insight into the strengths and weaknesses of the candidate. (If you attach a letter of recommendation, please also provide a rating and your signature below.)

In view of this applicant's strengths and weaknesses, how well do you believe he or she is suited to the study and preparation for a professional career? (Circle the appropriate number.)

1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6  
Marginal                      Average                      Outstanding

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form and all requested supporting materials to: Office of Admissions, W-203 Veterinary Medicine Building, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65211.

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## ADMISSIONS EVALUATION FORM

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR EVALUATORS

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The person who gave you this form has applied to the University of Missouri-Columbia College of Veterinary Medicine. The applicant believes you have had sufficient contact with him/her to provide an evaluation of qualities that might relate to future performance as a veterinarian. Your evaluation should be based on comparison with other students you have known. In the space provided, please indicate the peer group which you are comparing this applicant. It is important to complete and return this evaluation form. If you wish, you may attach a letter of recommendation.

IN MARKING THE EVALUATION, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES:

Rate the applicant on a scale of 1 to 6 on the lines to the left of each statement. On this scale, a 6 is the highest possible rating and should be reserved for the most outstanding individuals based upon the particular characteristic. Accordingly, a 1 is the lowest rating and should be reserved for those individuals who are seriously deficient in this quality.

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Thank you for your assistance.

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Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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With what peer group are you comparing this applicant?

Under what circumstances and during what period have you known this applicant?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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