The Bachelor of Science Degree in Pre-Veterinary is a rigorous program that is designed to prepare students for admission into schools of Veterinary Medicine. The curriculum includes the necessary courses in Biology, Inorganic, Organic and Bio-Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics that are required for eligibility to apply. Students are also provided with classes that expose them to the agricultural sciences including animal science where they can gain some hands-on experience working with animals. Obtaining admission into Veterinary School requires a high grade point average, high scores on the Graduate Record Examination and documented experience in working with all types of animals. Students in the program are encouraged to keep a log of their hands-on experiences with animal for more favorable entry into graduate studies. In addition, it is highly suggested that they take summer internships and/or become involved in student research opportunities on campus. Individuals who complete this program but are unable to gain admission into Veterinary School are well trained for graduate school opportunities in the animal sciences.

The Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources is part of the College of Agriculture and Related Sciences at Delaware State University. The department strives to provide students with a challenging, well-rounded education that focuses on utilizing the latest scientific concepts in agriculture and natural resources. Students have the opportunity to work on campus, complete internships at home or abroad, and participate in an array of student organizations and activities. The department is growing and has recently added a research greenhouse, a herbarium an aquaculture pond facility, and the Agriculture Annex to its’ list of resources. Two research farms are part of our agricultural base: Hickory Hill Farm is a 75-acre livestock and forage farm located west of Cheswold, Delaware, and our 192-acre Outreach and Research Farm in Smyrna, DE.

Our small class sizes allow for greater faculty/student interactions and hands-on learning opportunities. DSU students have the advantage of learning in the capital city where Delaware’s Departments of Agriculture and Natural Resources and Environmental Control are located. State agencies and surrounding businesses (i.e. Kraft, DuPont, Allen’s, Mountaire, Playtex etc.) offer excellent internship and summer employment opportunities. Upon earning bachelor degrees, nearly 20 percent of our agriculture students seek advanced degrees in specialty areas of their choice. Graduates have continued their education at other prestigious universities including: Virginia Tech, Tuskegee University, The University of Georgia, Pennsylvania State University, North Carolina A&T State University, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, and Iowa State University, to name a few.

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