

2025 Scholarship Essay Prompts

Prompts for 2027 graduates

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What inspired you to pursue this path, and how do you plan to make a meaningful impact on the health and well-being of horses?

Leadership in the Equine Veterinary Community

The field of equine veterinary medicine relies on compassionate, skilled, and forward-thinking leaders to advance animal care, support fellow veterinarians, and advocate for the equine industry.

Describe a time when you demonstrated leadership within the equine or veterinary community. How did your actions positively impact others, and what lessons did you learn from the experience? Additionally, explain how you plan to continue developing your leadership skills to support the future of equine healthcare.

Challenges in Equine Veterinary Medicine

The equine veterinary field is continuously evolving, with advancements in medicine, technology, and research shaping the future of equine care. Identify a current issue within the equine veterinary community, whether its within veterinary medicine and research or industry culture and practice that excites, challenges or inspires you. Why does this issue resonate with you, and how do you plan to contribute to addressing or advancing this area in your future career as an equine veterinarian?



Draft your essay responses in a word processor then copy and paste your copy into the application portal.

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The Role of Mentorship in Equine Veterinary Medicine

Mentorship plays a vital role in shaping the future of equine veterinary professionals. Reflect on a mentor who has inspired you in your journey toward becoming an equine veterinarian. What qualities made them an effective mentor, and how have they influenced your career path? Additionally, describe how you plan to support and inspire future veterinarians and contribute to the growth of the equine veterinary community.

Professional Advocacy and Leadership in Equine Veterinary Medicine

Involvement in organized veterinary medicine is vital for the continued advancement of the profession, the well-being of equine patients, and the support of veterinary practitioners. As a future equine veterinarian, describe why being actively involved in organizations like the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) is important to you. What specific goals do you have for your participation in the AAEP during your first five years post-graduation.

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Application DUE: May 15, 2025