



Cornell DVM Admissions

~Guidelines for Evaluators~

Please pass this along to the individuals whom you have asked to write letters of recommendation on your behalf as a resource

Cornell's Admissions Committee understands evaluators are often looking for assistance in what faculty might be looking for in an evaluation. To assist your evaluators, below find information they might consider including if applicable. This will help our Admissions Committee in an effort to assess each applicant fully for admission into the DVM degree program. Supplementing the typical questions one might normally address, such as "How long and in what capacity have you known this applicant?", these discussion points will provide the Admissions Committee with consistent information about each applicant.

- a) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please assess this candidate's ability to communicate effectively with individuals in each of the following groups by giving relevant examples:
 - Clients/animal owners
 - Colleagues/peers
 - Support staff
 - Supervisors
- b) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please describe a situation where this candidate demonstrated effective interpersonal skills.
- c) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please address how consistently or under what conditions this candidate demonstrates these skills.
- d) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please describe a situation where this candidate demonstrated an ability to think logically, work independently, reason through a problem, and set priorities.
- e) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please address how this candidate demonstrated her or his commitment to the veterinary profession?
- f) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, how would you assess this candidate for being punctual, willing to work long hours, and showing attention to detail?
- g) In your letter to the Admissions Committee, please indicate if this candidate understands the realities of veterinary medicine?

*Thank you for providing a letter of evaluation on behalf of the applicant.
We appreciate your feedback and commitment to the profession and future veterinarians.*