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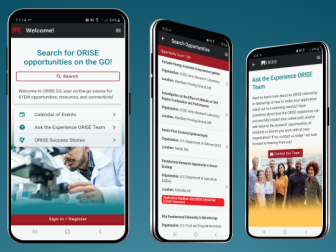
How to Apply ***To submit your application, scroll to the bottom of this opportunity and click APPLY.***

A complete application consists of:

- An **application**
- **Transcript(s)** – For this opportunity, an unofficial transcript or copy of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institution systems may be submitted.
  Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts.
- **Cover Letter** - please include the cover letter in the "Short Essay" section of the application
- **Coversheet** with the following information (include this Coversheet as page one of your Resume attachment)
  - Name
    - Contact information including email
    - Vet school graduation year
    - Preferred start and end dates
    - Whether you have participated in the ARS VSP program previously
    - Graduate work in addition to DVM curriculum (if any)
    - Top three choices of ARS research projects
  - *We will do our best to match scholars with their top choice in research projects however, given that some projects and locations are more popular than others this may not always be possible.
- **A current resume/CV**, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- Two educational or professional **recommendations**

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

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Application Deadline 12/4/2026 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description ***Applications will be reviewed after the application deadline.**

ARS Office/Lab and Location: A research opportunity is currently available with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Agricultural Research Service (ARS), located in Pullman, WA; Manhattan, KS; Ames, IA; Albany, CA; or Athens, GA.

The Agricultural Research Service (ARS) is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific in-house research agency with a mission to find solutions to agricultural problems that affect Americans every day from field

to table. ARS will deliver cutting-edge, scientific tools and innovative solutions for American farmers, producers, industry, and communities to support the nourishment and well-being of all people; sustain our nation's agroecosystems and natural resources; and ensure the economic competitiveness and excellence of our agriculture. The vision of the agency is to provide global leadership in agricultural discoveries through scientific excellence.

Research Project: The **USDA-ARS Boehringer Ingelheim Veterinary Scholars Program** provides an opportunity for training opportunities to veterinary students to conduct research in livestock infectious diseases in one of nine USDA ARS animal health research facilities. By participating, individuals will join a community of highly-skilled scientists and engineers, and will be equipped with the knowledge, experience, and training to contribute to the USDA mission and research workforce in the future. The selected veterinary students will conduct summer research in one of nine USDA ARS animal health research facilities.

Learn more about the program at https://veterinaryscholars.boehringer-ingelheim.com/USDAScholars

Learning Objectives: The goals of this program are to:

- Provide students with opportunities to gain experience in researching in livestock infectious diseases
- Raise awareness of federal research careers for veterinarians
- Increase partnerships with veterinary schools

Mentor(s): The mentor for this opportunity is Roxann Motroni (roxann.motroni@usda.gov). If you have questions about the nature of the research, please contact the mentor(s).

Anticipated Appointment Start Date: May 2027. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

Appointment Length: The appointment will be for three months. Students are expected to be available at the ARS location for 10-12 weeks to conduct research and attend the Veterinary Scholars Symposium in August.

Level of Participation: The appointment is full time.

Citizenship Requirements: This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens only.

ORISE Information: This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and ARS. Participants do not become employees of USDA, ARS, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

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Questions: Please visit our Program Website. After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process, please email USDA-ARS@orau.org and include the reference code for this opportunity.

Qualifications The qualified candidates should be currently pursuing a doctoral degree in the one of the relevant fields.

Applicants must be currently enrolled and in good standing in a U.S accredited DVM program.

Stipend $9,900.00 Yearly

Point of Contact Janeen

Eligibility Requirements

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Currently pursuing a Doctoral Degree.
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (20 👁)