# **AAVMC Dr. Catherine A. Knupp Scholarship**

## **About the Scholarship:**

Named for Cathy A. Knupp DVM, MS, who led the Zoetis Veterinary Medical Research and Development organization for many years. This scholarship will serve to commemorate Dr. Knupp's many contributions to scientific innovation as a veterinary scientist and leader in human and animal health research and development. Two \$25,000 scholarships will be awarded to veterinary students who aspire to pursue an advanced degree in basic or veterinary clinical research fields of study. Applicants must be enrolled or formally accepted to a combined veterinary professional degree and PhD program at an AAVMC member institution in the United States or an equivalent research focused degree program at an international AAVMC member institution. Applicants who have secured funding and/or tuition support for the PhD and/or DVM portion of their program are welcome to apply, however please be advised that financial need is a component of the scholarship selection process. Students who are enrolled in a non-PhD combined degree program are not eligible currently.

This program is not designed to fully support a PhD research program. The primary intent of this scholarship is to provide debt relief for qualified dual degree PhD/DVM students, and this scholarship is not intended to replace institutional and other forms of financial support for existing programs. International applications who are enrolled in equivalent combined veterinary professional and research degree programs and whose program is housed at an AAVMC member institution are eligible.

## **Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be enrolled or formally accepted to a combined veterinary professional degree and PhD program at an AAVMC member institution in the United States or an equivalent research focused degree program at an international AAVMC member institution.
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#### **Materials to Submit:**

Anticipated educational debt level following completion of degree.

#### **Qualification Questions**

- O What led you to pursue a career in veterinary research?
- What are the greatest challenges and opportunities for the next generation of veterinary researchers?
- Describe a time in your life that has shaped who you are as a person.

 How will you contribute to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive veterinary research community?

#### Resume

#### Three References

- Graduate Advisor
- o Research Dean
- o Academic Dean

## When completing the application:

- 1. Please read all questions carefully and answer as completely as possible.
- 2. Required information is marked with an orange asterisk \* and must be completed in order for your application to be considered.
- 3. Your application must be "Submitted as Final" by 11:59pm (EDT) on February 7, 2025
- 4. This application is considered Round 1 of the application process. After your application is reviewed and selected, applicants will be contacted for an interview in March of 2025.