



MSD
Animal Health

ANNOUNCEMENT

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MSD Animal Health and Vietnam Small Animal Veterinary Association (VSAVA) are pleased to announce the MSD ANIMAL HEALTH - VSAVA 2018 VETERINARY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

The VSAVA and MSD Animal Health are dedicated to preserving and improving the health and well-being of companion animals as well as honouring exceptional veterinary students by providing \$5,000 in financial support to 2nd and 3rd year veterinary students. Two scholarships in amount of \$2,500 each will be awarded. All class of 2016 and 2017 veterinary students are encouraged to apply.

We encourage you to apply for this scholarship and to inform other students of this exciting opportunity. Details on scholarships as well as the application can be found at website of VSAVA (<https://vsava.com>), MSD Animal Health Vietnam (<https://www.msd-animal-health.vn>) and Faculty of Animal Science and Veterinary Medicine – Nong Lam University Ho Chi Minh City (<https://vet.nlu.edu.vn>).

Scholarships will be awarded based on academic excellence, financial need, leadership and area of interest within the profession. Awards will be equally divided between veterinary students in pursuit of a career in companion animals.

Student Requirements:

- Currently enrolled in the 2nd or 3rd year veterinary students (promotion of 2016 and 2017) at the Faculty of Animal Science and Veterinary Medicine – Nong Lam University Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.
- Base on Grade Point Average (GPA), the student must on the top 10 of class
- Be a VSAVA member (not obligation)
- Not have previously held a MSD Animal Health - VSAVA Veterinary Student Scholarship
- Merit based with some consideration to financial need
- Social activity, volunteering, or having a certificate of Indigence and Low Income family, or family in/under preferential treatment policy (optional) will be aslo taken into account

Submit a complete application with all endorsements and attachments by the closing date.

Terms and Conditions:

- Only eligible applicants, and applications, will be considered
- Applicant must be willing to contribute at least 100 hours per year of volunteer service in a small veterinary field for two years after receiving the MSD Animal Health - VSAVA scholarship

Please note that in each round the number of well qualified applicants greatly outnumbers the scholarships available. Each applicant is judged by the members of the Selection Committees in relation to all the other candidates who have applied in a particular round's competition, and relative judgments must be made given the facts at hand.

Program Timeline:

- Application Launch – from the time of this announcement
- Application Deadline – 26/10/2018
- Selection process – 29/10/2018 to 06/11/2018
- Student and University notification – 07/11/2018 to 14/11/2018
- Public Announcement and Presentation – 15/11/2018 to 30/11/2018

How to apply:

View the application checklist before submitting your application. Incomplete applications will be deemed ineligible and the Reviewer Committee will not follow up with individual students.

Venue:

Office of Faculty of Animal Science and Veterinary Medicine
Room PV218, Phuong Vy Building
Nong Lam University Ho Chi Minh
KP6, Linh Trung Ward, Thu Duc District, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

As part of your application you are required to submit the following documents:

- Your completed application form, provide a statement why you should be chosen for a Merck-VSAVA Scholarship, brief description of your career goals. What are you doing to prepare yourself for your specific career path in veterinary medicine? Describe your leadership skills and how you have implemented them in University and/or within your work experience.
- Your curriculum vitae
- One recommendation letter
- Your certification of Rank and Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Supporting documents, e.g. certificate, awards, etc.

The VSAVA is happy to collaborate with MSD Animal Health in administering this program. Please contact lqthong@hcmuaf.edu.vn or president@vsava.com for more information on this scholarship program.

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Vietnam Small Animal Veterinary Association (VSAVA) is a professional association in development of companion animal care all over the country, a full member of World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA). For 8 years, VSAVA has been focusing on gathering and uniting all community and individual veterinarians that work in scientific technology, advanced training, management and companion animal care services for fostering and exchanging scientific information.

**President of Vietnam
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