# DOCTOR OF VETERINARY MEDICINE (DVM)

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO FACT SHEET

**Program Level:** First professional degree  
**Program Length:** 42 months

### WHAT WILL I LEARN AND EXPERIENCE IN MY STUDIES?

Our curriculum is aligned to meet the 9 competencies set forth by the AVMA:

- Comprehensive patient diagnosis
- Comprehensive treatment plan
- Basic surgical skills
- Basic medical skills and case management
- Basic anesthesia, pain management and welfare skills
- Emergency and intensive care management skills
- Health promotion, disease prevention, biosecurity, zoonosis, and food safety.
- Communications and ethical conduct skills and knowledge
- Critical analysis of new information and research findings relevant to veterinary medicine.

For more information about the Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine (RUSVM) DVM degree program, see: [https://veterinary.rossu.edu/dvm-program](https://veterinary.rossu.edu/dvm-program)


### WHAT SERVICES WILL I RECEIVE?

**Services available to all students include:**

- A New Student Coordinator to answer questions, review necessary visa materials, liaise with student housing as needed, and provide general support to incoming students.
- Health and wellness services available through the Student Health Services Office and Counseling Center.
- Academic support through the Student Success Center, including individual study strategy appointments, interactive study skills workshop, academic coaching, teaching assistants, and tutor program.

### PROGRAM COSTS AND STUDENT LOANS

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### LICENSING EXAM PASS RATES

The official 2020–21 NAVLE pass rate was **83%**.

### LOAN DEFAULT RATES

- **0.4% of students who attended RUSVM** and received federal student loans and entered repayment in the year ending 9/30/2018 defaulted on their student loans.
- **2.5% of students who attended any foreign Title IV eligible school** and received federal student loans and entered repayment in the year ending 9/30/2018 defaulted on their student loans.

See reverse for more information regarding the source of the above information.
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO FACT SHEET

HOW RELEVANT IS THIS INFORMATION TO ME?
The Know Before You Go Fact Sheet provides information about RUSVM and information about U.S. colleges as a whole. Certain information, such as earnings outcomes, can be different depending on where you plan to live and your individual situation and experience. The FactSheet information is intended to help you compare some information about RUSVM to other colleges as you think about your choices.

INFORMATION SOURCES

Total Program Costs: Total tuition, fees, books, and supplies charged for entire program length assuming full-time enrollment, based on 2020-21 rates.

Median Tuition, Fees, Books and Supplies: Median tuition, fees, books, and supplies actually paid to RUSVM by 2019-2020 graduates while enrolled in the completed program. Calculated for all graduates.

Median Total Debt: Median debt for 2019-2020 graduates accrued while enrolled in the completed program. Includes Title IV loans, private loans, and institutional loans. Calculated for all graduates.

Loan Default Rate is the percentage of borrowers (Foreign Title IV eligible colleges RUSVM) entering repayment in between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018 who defaulted on their loans within 3 years. Provided by the U.S. Department of Education and can be found at: http://www2.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/defaultmanagement/cdr.html.

The official 2020-21 NAVLE pass rate is provided by NAVLE to the institution. It reflects students attempting the exam for the first time in the November-December time period, plus their repeat attempts, and excludes first-time test-takers in the April exam cycle.