Pre-Veterinary Medicine is a program of study designed to meet the requirements for admission into a professional School or College of Veterinary Medicine. It is a pre-professional program indicating an interest in entering veterinary school and becoming a veterinarian. Most pre-veterinary students declare their first major as Animal Science or Biology and their second major as pre-vet (Pre-vet is not allowed as a first major since it is not a stand-alone degree).

A BS degree is not required to be accepted into veterinary school as long as the prerequisite courses have been completed. The 3+1 program is designed for pre-vet students who are accepted in veterinary school prior to completing their BS degree in Animal Science or Dairy Science. Students who have completed three years at UWR, and after successful completion of their first year of veterinary school, may obtain an animal science or dairy science degree from UWR.

- Our faculty focus on teaching, with specializations in physiology, nutrition, genetics, reproductive management, animal welfare, animal health, behavior and training.
- CAFES ensures that you receive hands-on experience at our teaching laboratory farms, which house dairy, beef, sheep and swine herds and an equine operation.
- With our long-standing ties to industry you could get involved in applied research or have an international experience.
- Here you will find opportunities for networking and education at the local, regional and national levels of the Pre-Veterinary Medicine Club and Veterinary Medical Association.

**Degree Options**

Many courses in the Pre-Vet program will also count towards the Animal Science, Dairy science or Biology degree. To fulfill the requirements for entry into veterinary school student take the science option within the animal science or dairy science major – the program of study is heavy in the sciences (biology and chemistry).

Students in the Pre-Veterinary program are aiming to be admitted into veterinary school. Regardless, they will have earned a BS degree through their major in Animal or Dairy science and thus all those same career opportunities are open to them.