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| Animal Nutrition | 3  |
| TOTAL            | 30 |

<sup>6</sup>PH 114/L or PH 201/L will satisfy this requirement.

<sup>7</sup>CH 440, BMD 321 or BLY 440 will satisfy this requirement.

### GRADUATE RECORD EXAMINATION (GRE)

In addition to maintaining a strong GPA, completing ~~repli~~ coursework, and observing a licensed veterinarian, students will need to take the GRE. Students should plan on taking the GRE during ~~the~~ third year. The GRE is composed ~~of~~ three sections: Verbal Reasoning, Quantitative Reasoning, and Analytical Writing. The Verbal and Quantitative Reasoning sections are each scored on a ~~1300~~ scale in ~~one~~ point increments. The Analytical Writing section is scored on a ~~60~~ scale in ~~half~~ point increments. The Educational Testing Service website (ets.org) contains useful information on preparing for and taking the GRE.

### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

ACOVm requires three letters of recommendation as part of the application package. One must be from a veterinarian. The other two should come from an employer (may be a second veterinarian) and from a professor or advisor who is familiar with the student's academic work.

### PRE-VET PROGRAM

PreHealth Advising is dedicated to helping students succeed as they work towards a graduate education ~~in~~ veterinary medicine. Prehealth advisors ~~are~~ available to help students craft a workable plan by providing structure, guidance and ~~in~~formation about University and Pre/vet resources.

### CHOOSING A MAJOR

There is no perfect "~~pre~~" major at the University of South Alabama. A student can major in any subject area and apply to veterinary medical school. If the desired career path changes students ~~need~~ to be in a major that will allow them opportunities for success. Academic and ~~Pre~~health advisors work together to help students with the coordination of courses for both the major and vet school.

### IMPORTANCE OF GPA

Veterinary ~~re~~ medical schools require students to provide their academic GPA which includes all grades earned at any institute of higher learning and dual enrollment. ACOVM calculates four GPAs during the evaluation process: an overall GPA including all course work; a science GPA which will include the 2 science electives; a GPA combining organic chemistry, biochemistry and physics; and a trend GPA which includes the most recent 60 credit hours completed. ~~The~~ average GPA of those students who are accepted into a veterinary medical school program is 3.6 (2017-2018 application cycle). The average science GPA of accepted students is 3.5 (2017-2018 application cycle). 77a27.6630 Tw 15.169 EMg 0.006 TS/P <</MCID 0.>>BD TS Tw w 2.024 -1.15