

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Atlantic Veterinary College (AVC)

The Atlantic Veterinary College is located on Canada's eastern seaboard in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. One of six faculties at the University of Prince Edward Island, AVC is one of the newest veterinary colleges in North America.

AVC, in both their undergraduate and graduate programs, is known for small class sizes, which encourages a high level of interaction between faculty and students.

Since its establishment in 1986, AVC has earned an international reputation for its ability to provide sound learning opportunities, conduct leading edge research, and offer expert veterinary service. In addition to its Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) program, UPEI offers a Master of Science degree (initiated in 1986), a non-thesis Master of Veterinary Science degree (initiated in 2002), and a PhD degree program (initiated in 1995) within the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine. Graduate students may focus on one of several aspects of animal health, including: basic and applied biomedical research, fish and animal health research, clinical research on specific diseases and control procedures, environmental health and animal welfare. The Masters or PhD programs may be combined with a clinical residency program for qualified veterinarians.

The University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI)

The UPEI was established in 1969 and has traditions dating back over 150 years to its predecessor institutions, Prince of Wales College and St. Dunstan's University. Emphasis on first-rate teaching and attention to the goals and needs of its students are two of the principles advocated by the University. The campus is noted for being friendly, safe, and inviting. Nine academic buildings, three residences, the library, dining hall and sports centre are all within easy walking distance of one another and are positioned around or in close proximity to a traditional quadrangle filled with trees and park benches. The W.A. Murphy Student Centre opened in 2002. This Centre has many student services under one roof including food outlets, the Wave (UPEI's student pub), bookstore, student union offices, and student health services. Undergraduate academic programs are offered in the faculties of arts, science, music, education, nursing, business administration, and veterinary medicine. Graduate programs are offered in the faculties of veterinary medicine, science, arts, and education.

The Graduate Students' Association (GSA)

All full and part-time graduate students are encouraged to join the Graduate Students' Association. The GSA aims at representing graduate student interests on various college and university committees, enhancing communication amongst graduate students and between graduate students and faculty, and sponsoring cultural, social, and educational activities for graduate students. For example, the GSA has a representative on the College's Graduate Studies and Research Committee, to provide two-way communication between the College and the GSA. Please visit the GSA website at:

<http://www.upei.ca/officeofgraduatestudies/graduate-student-association-gsa>