Strategy: Attract, mentor and support the best and brightest students and trainees (1.1)

Date: Fall Quarter 2012

Summary of Activities

1. Implementation of new professional student admissions process

   Description of new process
   The new admissions process includes a modification of the way students are initially ranked for interview. The new process uses the science GPA, the last 45 units GPA and the quantitative GRE score for 90% of the rank using the BLOP equation and a quantitative evaluation method called the PPI (personal potential index) for 10% of the rank. Flags are in place to require review of applications by the admissions committee for students who did not receive grades from their undergraduate institution, students who not taking full academic loads as undergraduates, not meeting the minimum number of veterinary hours, taking the GRE exam more than 4 times or PPI scores of 3 (average) or lower.

   Interview are scheduled for Dec 13, 14, 17, 18, 19 with selection of the class occurring on December 20th and notification to student soon after that. The acceptance letters are expected to include an estimate of offsetting grants available for students in full financial need.

2. Planning and implementation of curriculum revisions for DVM and graduate student instruction

   Curricular revisions that are currently being implemented by our faculty for the DVM and MPVM didactic instruction will enhance our ability to attract and support the best and brightest students.

   An update on progress towards implementation of the MPVM curriculum revisions will be provided next quarter.

Resource Materials/Data Analysis

1. Please see the final report of the Admissions Committee Task Force.
2. Measures could be developed to evaluate the impact curricular change has had on recruitment and retention of highly competitive students. We can coordinate with ongoing efforts likely already in place to do this and also link with efforts to assess training outcomes.

Accomplishments

New professional student admission process being implemented for entering class of 2017.